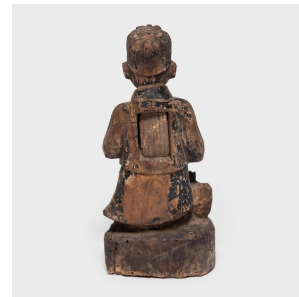
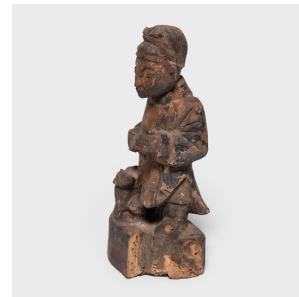

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POLYCHROME ANCESTOR FIGURE

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W: 3.5" D: 2.5" H: 7.5"

Ancestor worship was an integral part of traditional Chinese home life. This carved figure bears the likeness of one of its original owner's important forebears. A cat curves around the elder's right leg, a symbolic pairing associated with age, ancestry, and wisdom. A carved slot in the figure's back was once a small compartment for written prayers. Rich with character from a century of use, this diminutive carved sculpture is a treasured keepsake with a vital connection to family history.



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