



Head of a Woman

Date

late 4th century BCE

Primary Maker

Unidentified artist

Medium

terracotta

Description

Head of a woman from a votive bust or statuette. She wears a ribbon or stephane, a mantle or veil, preserved at left, and round earrings; her full, wavy hair is pulled back from a classical center part. Delicate features are set into a rounded face, with prominent nose and a closed mouth, which lacks emotion. The back reveals the process of layering and smoothing the clay into the mold.

Dimensions

4 1/2 x 3 1/4 x 1 3/4 in. (11.4 x 8.3 x 4.4 cm)