

# Noppera - bo - The Mujina of the Akasaka Road

Arnaud Quercy



*Where folklore becomes form—own a faceless encounter rendered in contemporary materials*

MEDIUM	3D Printed Wood PLA on Metal
DIMENSIONS	20.5×12.0×12.0cm
YEAR	2021
ORIGIN	France
REFERENCE	Arnaud Quercy Creations / AQC0336 / 2021
SOLD	Schmittgen, Germany
CERTIFICATE	20221231-0006

## CURATORIAL NOTES

This sculpture translates Japanese folklore into contemporary form through digital fabrication and traditional finishing techniques. The faceless yōkai from Lafcadio Hearn's ghost story becomes a study in geometric reduction, where the absence of features defines the subject rather than diminishing it.

Created using wood PLA filament and additive manufacturing, the piece measures twenty centimeters tall by twelve centimeters wide and deep, mounted on a black metal base. The smooth ovoid head sits atop a simplified torso with extended arms, each hand-polished and treated with wood patina to bridge digital and craft traditions. The material itself occupies a space between plastic and wood, mirroring the supernatural creature's ontological uncertainty.

As part of the Spells and Magic collection, this work applies cubist-influenced geometric constraints to mythological subjects. The noppera-bō persists through multiple translations—from oral tradition to literary account to digital model to physical sculpture—with the essential element surviving each transformation: the confrontational absence where recognition should occur.

The work includes certificate of authenticity 20221231-0006 and bears the artist's signature. Standing at twenty-nine centimeters total height with the metal support, the sculpture creates an intimate encounter that requires close viewing.

## THE ARTIST



### Arnaud Quercy

Arnaud Quercy is a Parisian artist working across painting, music, and sculpture. His practice is grounded in Idea-morphism — the principle that a work of art does not carry meaning, but triggers it. Each piece is engineered to diffract differently through each person who encounters it.

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