



OBJECT ID	1993.68.2
OBJECT NAME	Icon
MATERIAL	Metal; Wood
RELATED ITEMS	Comb, 1993.68.1.1 Atomizer, 1993.68.1.2 Box, Puff, 1993.68.1.3 Icon, 1993.68.3 Tray, 1993.68.4
ACCESS POINTS	Icons

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

Icon of Virgin and child, made of silver and mounted on wood. Has a small silver piece on the back with which to hang it from.

ORIGIN

A Madonna is a representation of Mary, either alone or with her child Jesus. These images are central icons for both the Catholic and Orthodox churches. The word is from Old Italian "ma donna" which means (my lady). No image permeates Christian art as the image of the Madonna and child.

While Mary may be referred to as "the Madonna" in other contexts, in art the term is applied specifically to an artwork in which Mary, with or without the infant Jesus, is the focus, and central figure of the picture

CITATION

Icon, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 04/24/24.