

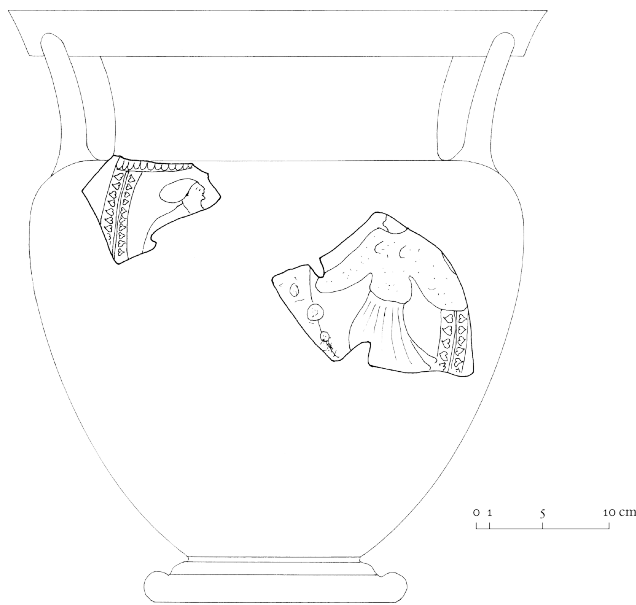
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Plate 537

Accession Numbers 86.AE.208 and 86.AE.210

PROVENANCE By 1969–83, Walter and Molly Bareiss (Bareiss number 379); 1983–86, the Mary S. Bareiss 1983 Trust; 1986, sold to the J. Paul Getty Museum.

SHAPE AND ORNAMENT Two non-joining body fragments, one (86.AE.210) preserving part of the shoulder. Figural decoration on the body set in a panel framed by a tongue pattern on the shoulder below the junction with the neck, and a double row of black ivy leaves between black lines at the sides. Interior of 86.AE.208 black (dilute), 86.AE.210 black body, shoulder plain.



SUBJECT Dionysiac scene: maenads flanking an image (*xoanon*) of Dionysos.

On 86.AE.210 are preserved the head, the right shoulder, and part of the right arm of a maenad. She wears a chiton and has light-colored hair. Her head and hair are thrown back as if in a pose of Bacchic ecstasy. The lower part of the image of Dionysos is preserved on fragment 86.AE.208. It is decorated with a necklace that has alternating black and white beads, *popana* (cakes), grapes, and a flower. A second maenad (most of her head and shanks missing) stands to the right of the image. She is dressed in a dotted chiton with long sleeves and dances to

the left with extended arms. Her left hand and foot extend into the frame. Toward the bottom of the fragment, before the image of Dionysos, is preserved the left edge of a table that is normally laden with offerings in similar scenes.

ATTRIBUTION AND DATE Attributed to the Group of Undetermined Mannerists by D. von Bothmer. Circa 475–450 B.C.

DIMENSIONS AND CONDITION 86.AE.208: Maximum preserved dimension 14.9 cm; mended from four fragments. 86.AE.210: Maximum preserved dimension 10.5 cm; mended from two fragments.

TECHNICAL FEATURES Preliminary sketch. Relief contour. Accessory color. White: flower, grapes, beads on *xoanon*. Dilute glaze: back side of the fragments, hair of maenad, some dots on the chiton of 86.AE.210. Grapes rendered by relief dots on black background.

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LOAN New York, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, *Greek Vases and Modern Drawings from the Collection of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bareiss*, June 13–October 5, 1969.

COMPARANDA For the Group of Undetermined Mannerists, see Mannack, *Late Mannerists*.

The scene belongs to a series of so-called Lenaia vases, which date to the fifth century B.C. They represent women participating in a ritual involving wine and a cult image of Dionysos consisting of a bearded mask hung on a trunk or pillar. A garment wound about the column indicates the body, although there are no arms or legs. The scene has been associated with two Dionysian festivals, the Anthesteria and the Lenaia. The Lenaia vases are mostly stamnoi; the krater is not a common shape for this scene. The series of stamnoi starts with the Villa Giulia Painter and continues with his follower the Chicago Painter. Cf. two other Attic red-figure kraters with this theme, although the image is rendered in profile: a fragment

from a volute-krater in Sydney, Nicholson Museum 56.33 (Frontisi-Ducroux, *Le dieu-masque*, pp. 142–43, 248, no. L57, fig. 80); a column-krater by the Leningrad Painter in Milan, Banca Intesa Sanpaolo 316 (BAPD 10413; *ARV*² 569.40; Frontisi-Ducroux, *Le dieu-masque*, pp. 145–46, 249, no. L59, figs. 83–84).

The Lenaia identification was first suggested by A. Frickenhaus, *Lenäenvasen*, Winckelmannsprogramm der archäologischen Gesellschaft zu Berlin (BWPr) 72 (Berlin, 1912), and followed by L. Deubner, *Attische Feste* (Berlin, 1932). On the identification as the Anthesteria, see W. Burkert, *Homo Necans: The Anthropology of Ancient Greek Sacrificial Ritual and Myth*, trans. from German by P. Bing (Berkeley, 1983), pp. 230–38. M. Dillon, in *Girls and Women in Classical Greek Religion* (London, 2002), pp. 149–52, comes to the same conclusion.

For a summary of the debate about the festive occasion for the cultic display of the image, see Frontisi-Ducroux, *Le dieu-masque*, pp. 17–63, where she argues that the ritual scenes on the vases evoke the cultic presence of Dionysos as “le dieu-masque” without referring to a specific festival, and pp. 8–9, where she argues for an interpretation of those cultic masks of Dionysos on Lenaia vases as objects of worship unparalleled outside the Attic cult of the god. See also Bundrick, *Music and Image*, pp. 157–58, for an overview of the discussion on the subject. More recently, see G. Hedreen, “Unframing the Representation: The Frontal Face in Athenian Vase-Painting,” in *The Frame in Classical Art: A Cultural History*, ed. V. Platt and M. Squire (Cambridge, 2017), pp. 161–63.

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in the Classical World: Image and Text (New York and Oxford, 1994), pp. 88–90; McNiven, “Things to Which We Give Service,” pp. 310–15.

Carpenter, *Dionysian Imagery in Fifth-Century Athens*, pp. 79–82, suggests that the Lenaia stamnoi were decorated with nonspecific Dionysian scenes composed of stock Dionysian elements. Carpenter recognizes the women as nymphs in *idem*, “Greek Religion and Art,” in *A Companion to Greek Religion*, ed. D. Ogden (Malden, MA, 2010), pp. 415–16. S. Pierce, “Visual Language and Concepts of Cult on the ‘Lenaia Vases,’” *Classical Antiquity* 17 (1998): 59–95, esp. 85, recognizes the women as mortals participating in Dionysian cult activities rather than specific festivals. S. Chryssoulaki, “The Participation of Women in the Worship and Festivals of Dionysos,” in *Worshipping Women: Ritual and Reality in Classical Athens*, ed. N. Kaltsas and H. A. Shapiro (New York, 2008), pp. 273–75, also recognizes the scene as the participation of woman in Dionysiac rituals. J. de la Genière, “Vases des Lénéennes?,” *Mélanges de l’École française de Rome, Antiquité* 99 (1987): 43–61, suggests that the subject was created for the Etruscan market.

The garment worn by the idol is unusual. The horizontal lines suggest it was wrapped around the image. For the type of chiton normally worn by these idols, see M. Jameson, “The Asexuality of Dionysus,” in *Masks of Dionysus*, pp. 50–51. For ritual textiles used to adorn the cult image of Dionysos, see C. Brøns, “Power through Textiles: Women as Ritual Performers in Ancient Greece,” in *Women’s Ritual Competence in the Greco-Roman Mediterranean*, ed. M. Dillon, E. Eidinow, and L. Maurizio (London and New York, 2016), p. 56. For the image (the horizontal lines are rare), see B. Alroth, “Changing Modes in the Representation of Cult Images,” in *The Iconography of Greek Cult in the Archaic and Classical Periods: Proceedings of the First International Seminar on Ancient Greek Cult, Delphi, 16–18 November 1990*, Kernos, Supplement 1 (Athens and Liège, 1992), pp. 9–46. On the frontality of the *xoanon*, see T. Banndorff, “Die Frontalität in der griechischen Flächenkunst” (Ph.D. diss., University of Vienna, 1969).

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*Addenda*² 336; *Pandora*, pp. 385–87, cat. no. 124, entry by E. Reeder), with a large oval attachment, thought to be a cake, flanking each ear.

For maenads with hands covered by the sleeves of a chiton, see Schöne, *Thiasos*, pp. 152–56. Cf. a stamnos by the Deepdene Painter, Warsaw 142351 (*ARV*² 499.10; C. Gaspari, in *LIMC*, vol. 3 [1986], pt. 1, p. 427, no. 38, s.v. “Dionysos”); a white-ground pyxis by the Sotheby Painter in Baltimore, Walters Art Museum 48.2019 (*ARV*² 774–5.1; Beazley *Addenda*² 287; CVA Baltimore, Walters Art Gallery 1 [USA 28], pls. 59–60); a pelike by an undetermined Earlier Mannerist in London, British Museum E 362 (*ARV*² 585.34; T. Carpenter, “On the Beardless Dionysus,” in *Masks of Dionysus*, pp. 192–93, figs. 10a–d).

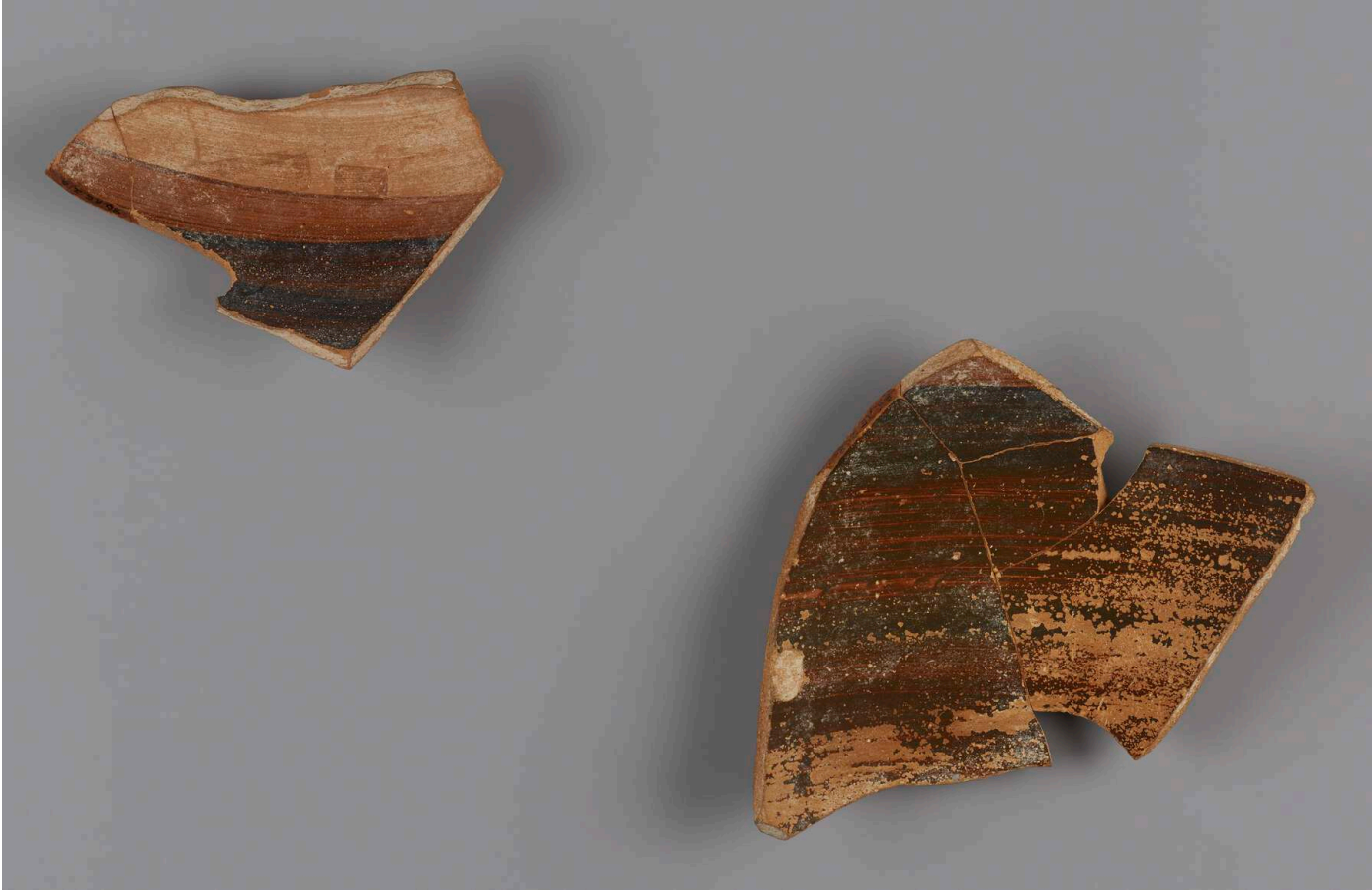
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