



Earrings, Monte Alban replicas

Date

early 20th-mid 20th Century

Primary Maker

Artist not recorded

Medium

Gold

Description

Gold earrings with screw back fastening (made for unpierced ears). The tops of the earrings are rounded, three-dimensional ellipses decorated by textured zig zag

incisions, creating a chevron pattern. A second larger ellipse hangs from the top one by two short pieces of chain. The larger ellipse is also decorated by the chevron incisions; however this is encircled by a plain circle of gold (like a frame). Soldered to the bottom of each of the lower ellipses are three filigree decorations. Each decoration is made up of three adjacent teardrop shaped hoops; from each of the middle hoops hangs a long teardrop shaped hollow dangle. The three dangles on each earring are shaped like long rounded cones with slits in the bottom, giving them the appearance of bells.

Dimensions

2 1/2 × 1 1/16 × 1/2 in. (6.4 × 2.7 × 1.3 cm)