Primary Maker: Unidentified artist
Title: Maria Spatz
Date: mid-19th century
Medium: Polychrome painted and carved pine
Dimensions: Overall: 63 1/4 x 20 x 17 in. (160.7 x 50.8 x 43.2 cm)
Credit Line: Purchased from Elie Nadelman
Object Number: 1937.329

Object Name: Figurehead
Classification: SCULPTURE

Curatorial Remarks:
The figurehead was a carved and painted decoration placed under the bowsprit of old sailing vessels. This example was once part of the folk art collection of Elie Nadelman (1882-1946), the avant-garde sculptor. From 1924 to 1934, Nadelman's collection was displayed in his Museum of Folk Arts, located in the Riverdale section of the Bronx. The Historical Society purchased Nadelman's entire collection in 1937.

Physical Description:
Ship figurehead

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