

# GALERIE GOLCONDA

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## CERTIFICATE

### **STIRRUP VASE WITH DOUBLE SPOUT BOLIVIA - TIAHUANACO (AD 1100)**

**MATERIAL AND METHOD:** double spouted vase with beautifully decorated central handle in keeping with Nazca cultural tradition. Made in a red and glazed terracotta and painted before firing with tones of red, brown and black. The lower body is solid brown. On the shoulder there is a unique and symmetrical geometric decoration on both sides, probably an asymmetrical animal is also depicted. Both spouts are thin, perfectly symmetrical and painted in solid brown. Excellent state of preservation.

**ORIGIN:** Tiwanaku is believed to be one of the oldest cities in the world, dating back 10,000 years. Located west of Bolivia, it was a port town on the southern shore of Lake Titicaca. This pre-Incan civilization will fade away in the 12th century. It is similar in many respects to the Huari civilization with which is it often referenced.

**MEASUREMENTS:** Height: 17 cm (6.6")

**THERMOLUMINESCENCE TEST:** performed by the Ralf Kotalla Laboratory, which confirms the dating of this piece. Test N° 62270306.

**CULTURAL PASSPORT** issued by the French Ministry of Culture. Passport N° 126437.

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