

	<p>Object: Discus Thrower (Gem in Ring Setting)</p> <p>Museum: Museum August Kestner Trammplatz 3 30159 Hannover (0511) 168-42730 museen- kulturgeschichte@hannover- stadt.de</p> <p>Collection: Ancient Cultures, Gemmen, Kameen und Glaspasten. Die Sammlung geschnittener Steine</p> <p>Inventory number: K 1324</p>
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Description

The discus throw is one of the oldest sports disciplines. Along with the long jump (halma), javelin throw (akontion), short distance running (dromos) and wrestling (pale), it was part of the ancient pentathlon at the Olympic Games. The introduction of the pentathlon is documented for the year 708 BC. Athletes also competed in the discus throw at the first Olympic Games of modern times, in Athens in 1896, but as an individual discipline. (AVS)

Former August Kestner Collection, Rome

Detailed description

Ein Diskobol kurz vor dem Abwurf. Der nackte Athlet steht vorgeneigt im Profil mit gebeugten Knien, das entlastete Bein mit gehobener Ferse vorgesetzt. In den Händen vor den Knien hält er den Diskus. Kopf ergänzt. Grundlinie.

Basic data

Material/Technique:	Carnelian, gold / cut, set
Measurements:	Height: 1.02 cm, width: 0.87 cm (with socket)

Events

Created	When	1. century CE
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	Who	
	Where	Mediterranean Basin
Collected	When	
	Who	August Kestner (1777-1853)
	Where	Rome

Keywords

- Discus throw
- Diskuswerfer
- Fingerring
- Olympic Games
- Steinschnitt

Literature

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