Greek in Gandhara: A Study on Greek Influence on Gandhara Art

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Abstract

This paper explores the elements of Greek Influences in Gandhara Art, which existed in ancient North-Western India. Gandhara Art was a result of the cultural interruptions made by the conquests of Greeks. The aim of this paper is to identify the elements of Greek Influence on Gandhara Art. The presence of Greek elements of art, motifs and influence of Greek mythical stories are shown through reliefs which were excavated at Gandhara region. This paper will analyze such reliefs to show the cultural flow of artistic elements from the West to the East as a result of political conquests.

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