



DOUGLAS REYNOLDS GALLERY



MCGUIRE-JIM--THUNDERBIRD PENDANT-320-CAD
\$320 CAD

Medium	14kt Yellow Gold
Height	7/8"
Width	5/8"
Depth	NULL
Length	NULL
Ring Size	NULL

"Thunderbird is the illustrious ancestor of many prominent human lineages and a proud, and powerful noble being in myths throughout the Northwest Coast. Thunderbird is a giant supernatural bird named for his habit of carrying thunder and lighting. Beneath his wings he carries Lighting Snakes, which are his weapons. Thunder rolls from the flap of his wings, and lighting flashes when he blinks his great eyes or throws Lighting Snakes. He is large and strong enough to hunt Killer Whale[s], which he strikes dead with the wolf-headed serpent-tongued Lighting snakes. Thunderbird carries his prey high into the mountains to feed. From his home [at] these great heights, Thunderbird rules majestically, keeping a close watch over his dominion" (Shearar 2000: 104). – *Understanding Northwest Coast Art: A Guide to Crests, Beings and Symbols*