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A fine Silver Inlay Bronze Brushpot

Qing Dynasty (1644-1911)

The cylindrical body of bronze with silver inlay depicting children playing, "Yin Si." The reverse inscribed with the poem of the "Singing Magpie." The magpie is a symbol of happiness in Chinese culture and its singing foretells happiness and good luck. They are often regarded as sacred birds and feature in the Chinese folktale of the cowherd and the weaver girl, a story of forming a bridge for the separated lovers every year on the day of Qixi.

H 5 3/4 in D 4 in

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"Children playing at winter day" from
"Choice Painting of the Palace Museum"
Palace Museum, Taipei, p75, 1981

