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Unique Kachina!



Retail Value \$50.00

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A **kachina** (/kÉ™Ë^tÊfië□nÉ™/; Hopi: katsina [kaË^tsʲina], plural katsinim [kaË^tsʲinim]) is a spirit being in the religious beliefs of the Pueblo people, Native American cultures located in the south-western part of the United States. In the Pueblo cultures, kachina rites are practiced by the Hopi, Hopi-Tewa and Zuni peoples and certain <u>Keresan</u> tribes, as well as in most Pueblo tribes in New Mexico.

The kachina concept has three different aspects: the supernatural being, the kachina dancers, and kachina dolls (small dolls carved in the likeness of the kachina, that are given only to those who are, or will be responsible for the respectful care and well-being of the doll, such as a mother, wife, or sister).^[2]