(Sala: Marian Devotions) General information

Do you recognise the main character in this room? It is Virgin Mary. Her cult is one of the most important within popular religion. The numerous Marian devotions are proof of it. The Marian devotions correspond to particular ways to represent the Virgin, according to the place, the miracle given, a passage of her life, or any other virtue that may want to be highlighted.

The Virgin devotions got to America on the XVI century, brought by European religious orders. For example, the Dominicans brought the Virgin of the Rosary; and the Franciscans brought the Immaculate Conception Virgin. In the Peruvian viceroyalty and other places of America, local devotions arise, product of the religious mixture of towns. The virgins’ representation, combined the catholic tradition with ancient cults of feminine goddesses; such as the Pachamama, Mother Earth.