

SA1021626

Fascinating Japanese Iron Panel - Komai Company of Kyoto

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1021626****Date of manufacture: 1880**

Dimensions

Height = 49.5 cm (19.5")

Width = 43 cm (16.9")

Depth = 5 cm (2.0")

Description

As part of our Japanese works of art collection we are delighted to offer this fascinating early Meiji period (1868-1912) iron wall panel manufactured by the highly regarded Komai company of Kyoto during their earlier period of production, in around 1880. The heavy gauge iron panel is finely detailed with multiple mixed metals worked as characters within and around buildings in landscape settings, the resulting picture portraying the rather interesting and historically significant story of Japanese silk production (see literature). The landscapes and buildings are painstakingly carved into the iron plate then brought to life with mixed alloys including silver, shibuichi, shakudo and significant use of lavish gold detailing. This historically important panel is housed within a Japanese black lacquered frame of the period and is signed to the rear within a six character signature seal, this translates as "Kyoto Ju Komai Sei" or made by Komai of Kyoto. Literature: As stated, this opulent mixed metal decorated panel records the important historical story of traditional silk manufacture in Japan during the 19th century, a manufacturing process that was first brought to Japan a...

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