

SA1031035

Alfred Edward Chalon RA, Portrait Of A Lady - Antique Watercolour

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1031035****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 47 cm (18.5")

Width = 40 cm (15.7")

Depth = 3 cm (1.2")

Description

This charming mid-19th-century watercolour by British artist Alfred Edward Chalon RA (1780-1860) depicts a beautiful young lady wearing a light blue dress with 'leg-of-mutton' sleeves. In the 1830s, fashions were influenced by the exuberance of the Romantic period. Hair was often styled into coils, dresses were voluminous and sleeves were particularly puffed. At the start of the decade, sleeves tended to emphasise the shoulder, while by the end of the decade, the emphasis was lower and towards the elbow (as we see here). The details of this delicate piece are lost to time, aside from an inscription on the reverse, which simply reads 'A Chalon'. Alfred Edward Chalon RA was a Swiss-born portraitist and a favourite of Queen Victoria's. He trained at the Royal Academy in London where he exhibited an astonishing 396 works and became a member. In 1837, a year prior to completing this portrait, he was selected by the Queen to produce hers. The result was such a success, that the head from that piece was reproduced on stamps. So given that his reputation was growing, the sitter here would certainly have been a lady of considerable means. We also have portraits of 'mother' and ...

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