

SA1033686

Harry Keay, Dorothea's Bonnet - Oil Painting

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1033686****Date of manufacture: 1950**

Dimensions

Height = 60 cm (23.6")

Width = 75 cm (29.5")

Depth = 5 cm (2.0")

Description

This mid-20th-century oil painting by British artist Harry Keay (1914-1994) depicts a still life with a book, bonnet, teacup and sewing paraphernalia. It was shown at the Royal Society of British Artists. In a quiet corner of the home, a well-thumbed novel, 'Dorothea's Bonnet', rests upon a tablecloth. Keay's wife was Dorothy, and the lace, thread and thimble suggest it's probably her sewing table. Perhaps she retired here in the evening while sipping tea from her elegant porcelain. Keay was a remarkable artist who worked with his left hand due to a disability. During his early training in Dundee, Dame Laura Knight singled him out for praise. In a letter to Lord Provost Phin in 1936 she wrote: "I should like to bring to your most special notice the achievements and extraordinary talent of the boy student with the disabled arm, in whose work I perceive an extremely rare talent, together with a power of execution that is altogether out of the common." That year he had a picture hung in the Royal Scottish Academy and went on to contribute annually. This particular piece is one of his most acclaimed and mentioned in a newspaper report from 1953. "Invitation to Angus artis...

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