

SA1061139

Side cabinet on stand, by Paul Sormani, 19th Century.

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA1061139

Date of manufacture: 1880

Dimensions

Height = 124 cm (48.8")

Width = 78 cm (30.7")

Depth = 36 cm (14.2")

Description

A fine quality late 19th Century French Kingwood, ormolu mounted side cabinet on stand, having the original marble top with a three quarter pierced brass gallery. A pair of wonderfully hand painted Verni Martin doors, depicting lovers, these open to reveal drawers within. Raised on a stand with two frieze drawers, a central plaque with a plaque depicting frolicking cherubs, four elegant cabriole legs terminating in scrolling ormolu feet. The door lock signed Paul Sormani, Paris. Born in Venice in 1817, Paul Sormani (1817-1877), was a Parisian maker of fine 'meubles de luxe'. His work was described in the catalogue of the 1867 Exposition Universelle as: 'toute sa production révèle une qualité d'exécution de tout premier ordre' (all of his production reveals a quality of execution all of the first order). Sormani exhibited at the International Exhibitions in Paris in 1849, 1855, 1867, 1878 and 1900, and in London in 1862, winning numerous medals. Paul Sormani established the firm in 1847 at 7 Cimetière Saint-Nicolas in Paris, moving in 1854 to 114 rue du Temple, and in 1867 to 10 rue Charlot. After his death in 1877 Sormani's son Paul-Charles took over the business that la...

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