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Portrait of a Young Lady in a White Dress 1840's; Heinrich Beltz (1801-1869), Oil On Canvas Painting, Signed

Price

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Item Reference: SA1063078

Date of manufacture: 19th Century

Dimensions

Height = 43 cm (16.9")

Width = 36 cm (14.2")

Depth = 4 cm (1.6")

Description

In this charming portrait as much attention is paid to the woman's luxurious apparel as her facial features. The fabrics are defined with lightness and dexterity and the clear fresh palette and the striking eyes are exquisite. Rendered with precision – the artist's skill is almost of that of a miniaturist painter. It is a fine representation of female beauty, which was a popular subject in the 19th Century. For the first time, large numbers of pictures were painted whose sole raison d'être was a depiction of such beauty; not so much in the form of specific portraiture, but more as a homage to feminine beauty in its own right. Many artists worked in this lucrative genre. The portrait can be dated to the 1840s based on the low and sloping shoulders and the low pointed waist, and also the hairstyle with the centre part and ringlets at the side of the head. A feature of this portrait is its remarkable original condition having not undergone a lining process (or requirement for one). This is testimony to the wonderful care that the painting has received over its lifetime. Held in its original gilded swept frame.

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