

SA1094176

Erik Henningsen, Rural Scene With Family, Evening - Antique Oil Painting

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Item Reference: SA1094176

Date of manufacture: 1910

Dimensions

Height = 57 cm (22.4")

Width = 71 cm (28.0")

Depth = 5 cm (2.0")

Description

This early 20th-century oil painting by Danish artist Erik Henningsen (1855-1930) depicts a rural family standing before a cottage. Henningsen was an accomplished painter of genre scenes, interiors, portraits and landscapes. Pipe in hand, father stands proudly before a cottage dappled in light. His son, barefoot, looks on, while mother holds a pale. A grassy bank is rendered in a patchwork of sun-bleached dabs. The sky is crisp and wispy. Henningsen had a gift for reportage, capturing everyday scenes with a masterful array of brushwork. With little embellishment or romantic sentiment, his observations are a window into the soul - more akin to documentary photography than traditional genre painting. Upon absorbing his work, you become an eyewitness to a story as it unfolds in your mind. The characters are familiar, yet it's not a play or drama - simply the intricate nature of life skilfully captured in technicolour. Born in Copenhagen, he initially studied at Christian Vilhelm Nielsen's drawing school before enrolling at the Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts. By the age of 22, he was showing works at the foremost exhibition in Denmark, the Charlottenborg Spring. From he...

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