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Antique Rare Porcelain Figurine
of Cupid by Wahlliss,
Teplitz-Turn, Austria, c. early
20th century

Price

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Item Reference: SA1100771

Date of manufacture: 1910

Description

An antique, very rare, hand-painted beige figurine of Cupid, depicted as a blacksmith, was created by masters from the Wahlliss Teplitz-Turn Bohemia factory, Austria (now Trnovany, Czech Republic), in the early 20th century. Cupid, with wings and a quiver of arrows on his back, is portrayed as a small blacksmith. He is wearing an apron and standing next to a blacksmith's furnace with coal and a small anvil, enthusiastically working with a hammer, presumably forging arrows. The piece is finely hand-painted with excellent detailing, including clear facial features, and Cupid's pose appears very lifelike. Some elements—such as the wings, apron, quiver, and anvil—are coated in matte gold, giving the appearance of a sprayed effect, while the contours of the entire composition are outlined in gilding. On the bottom is a red shield coat of arms mark, reading 'EW, Turn Vienna, Made in Austria' and a pattern number. Teplitz refers to art pottery produced by various companies in the Teplitz-Turn region of Bohemia in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, one of which belonged to Ernst Wahlliss. Ernst Wahlliss was born in 1836. He was a leading Vienna retailer of porcelain and ceramic...

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