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Alfred De Breanski RBA, The Valley Of The Lledr - Evening - Antique Oil Painting

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Item Reference: SA1104124

Date of manufacture: 1880

Dimensions

Height = 55 cm (21.7")

Width = 75 cm (29.5")

Depth = 5 cm (2.0")

Description

This splendid late-19th-century oil painting by British artist Alfred de Breanski RBA (1852-1928) depicts a view of the Lledr Valley in Snowdonia, north Wales. De Breanski was a celebrated painter of landscapes and one of the finest proponents of naturalism. Lit by the placid reddish tones of the imperious golden hour, the brutish planes of towering scenery are tamed. In the foreground, the broad Lledr dashes over moss-covered stones - ripples elevated with rapid flickers of white highlighting. It's a majestic scene, a juxtaposition of the cool waterway and the warm surface of the valley. Born in London, de Breanski's father, Antoni Leopold, was Polish, hailing from the village of Baranów. He'd arrived in the United Kingdom from Ostend, Belgium, as a military refugee, with his wife Jeanne Henriette De Breanski, who was French. They settled in London and Alfred de Breanski was one of six children, of which three became artists. As a boy, he developed a keen ability for drawing, winning various prizes at the Greenwich Proprietary School, along with noteworthy plaudits from the local press. One reporter praising "his fine subdued tone and harmonious colouring" and stating...

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