

**SA1116160**

## Cyrus Cuneo, Symbolist Fan Design With Couple, Cherubs & Garden - Antique Drawing

Price

**Sold****Item Reference: SA1116160****Date of manufacture: 1910**

### Dimensions

Height = 55 cm (21.7")

Width = 88 cm (34.6")

Depth = 2 cm (0.8")

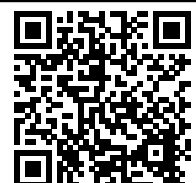
## Description

This beautiful early 20th-century fan design by American-English artist Cyrus Cuneo ROI (1879-1916) depicts a couple with cherubs in an ornamental garden. Cuneo was an accomplished painter and draughtsman, predominantly known for illustrations. It's a dream, a fantastical vision of an idyllic garden abundant with extraordinary flora, dancing cherubs, and a magical fountain. Is it a celebration of new love? A budding romance? The context of this piece is quite a mystery and it's the only example of its type we've been able to locate by this artist. It appears to be influenced by the late 19th-century French symbolist movement, which elevated spirituality and imagination over naturalism and reason. It's conceivably a design following a commission. Raised in San Francisco's Italian-American neighbourhood of North Beach, the life and times of Cyrus Cuneo are somewhat wilder than many Hollywood biopics. He was born into a talented family of artists and musicians with an abundance of creativity running through his veins. As a boy, he held a single ambition, to become a professional artist, and worked tirelessly to achieve this dream. He had a natural gift for drawing and by...

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