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18TH CENTURY ENGLISH PORTRAIT OF AN ELEGANT YOUNG LADY - CIRCLE OF ARTHUR DEVIS (1712-1787)

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1116413****Date of manufacture: 18th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 97 cm (38.2")

Width = 80 cm (31.5")

Depth = 5 cm (2.0")

Description

A fine, decorative and highly detailed 18th century English portrait of an elegant young lady painted circa 1755. The subject of this painting wears orange silk dress and is seated next to a table, within a panelled drawing room. The artist has included so many tantalising details within this painting and as a result it provides an evocative window into the life of a young lady from a prosperous family, in England in the 18th century. The designs of the furniture include a Chippendale inspired mahogany splat back chair and an elegant table. Even the panelling of the room within which the lady sits, includes a painted landscape above the door, within this it is even possible to see the outline of a fisherman wading through the water of the landscape beyond. In contrast to these realistic details is the extravagant green drapery left flying behind her head, adding a sense of drama and inspired by traditional old master portraiture. The composition set within an interior echoes the so-called 'Conversation piece' genre. This popular form of painting took great inspiration in its modest size and subject matter from Dutch interior paintings of the seventeenth century...

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