

SA1152200

Johannes Philippus Galjaard, Figures On A Rural Track With Town Beyond, Antique Oil Painting

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1152200****Date of manufacture: 1850**

Dimensions

Height = 40 cm (15.7")

Width = 55 cm (21.7")

Depth = 3 cm (1.2")

Description

This charming mid-19th-century oil painting by Dutch artist Johannes Philippus Galjaard (1812-1867) depicts several figures on a rural track with a town and distant hills beyond. Hailing from Utrecht, Galjaard was an academy-trained landscape painter and architect. When considering the works of Galjaard, one is reminded of Peter Paul Rubens and Thomas Gainsborough. Not necessarily in terms of style but with regard to the freedom they enjoyed when describing a view. Neither Rubens nor Gainsborough were considered 'landscape painters' in the first instance, as both were leading proponents in other genres - Rubens for his vigorous religious portrayals and Gainsborough for portraiture. Like them, Galjaard's talent for landscapes was secondary - as he was first and foremost an architect. As such, it's unlikely that his main income was derived from painting, despite his evident skill and, because of this, he could work without constraints. In this charming piece from 1851, he's captured a picturesque rural view with numerous points of interest. He enjoyed it here, sketching under the midday sun while surveying the various pockets of activity. As with several of his other work...

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