

SA1169099

Charles Gaudalet, Still Life With A Bouquet, Goldfinch & Spider, Antique Watercolour

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1169099****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 98 cm (38.6")

Width = 80 cm (31.5")

Depth = 5 cm (2.0")

Description

This beautiful mid-19th-century watercolour by French artist Charles Gaudalet (1826-1878) depicts a bouquet of flowers emerging from a Chinese vase, together with a goldfinch. Gaudalet was a notable master glass-maker and occasional watercolourist. Produced in 1843, during the early part of Gaudalet's career, a high degree of fine draughtsmanship is coupled with a burst of decorative colours. The vase itself is rendered with careful observation and almost certainly based upon a piece he owned. While the flora is arranged to create both balance and visual harmony. The inclusion of a goldfinch is an interesting one as Gaudalet held a passion for the Old Masters and would've been aware of its religious significance. Goldfinches often appear in works as representations of the Resurrection of Christ. Born in Paris, as Jean Charles Paul Gaudalet, little is known about Gaudalet's education. It's evident, though, that he trained either under a local master or via one of the foremost academies. By the late 1840s, he'd produced stained glass for numerous ecclesiastical buildings, including for the Église Saint-André de Lille. He worked alongside the painter, Victor-Louis Mottez (...)

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