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Rare Meiji Satsuma Square Dish with Rakan and Ladies, Kyoto, c.1890

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1174847****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Description

A superb Kyoto Satsuma dish of unusual square flared form, painted in rich enamels and lavish raised gilding. The central composition depicts a gathering of Buddhist sages (rakan) and attendants, each uniquely portrayed with expressive features and golden haloes. A graceful female figure may represent Kannon, bodhisattva of compassion. The surrounding fan-shaped border panels radiate outward, each filled with scenes of courtly life—ladies, samurai, musicians and officials—set against patterned gold grounds and textile-like motifs. Every surface is densely decorated in the Kyoto Awata style, with a refined balance of colour and detail. The finely crackled cream glaze is typical of high-quality Kyoto production. The underside bears a red seal mark ????? (Kyoto Seifu sei, "Made by Seifu, Kyoto"), representing a distinguished Kyoto workshop of the late Meiji period. Measurements Width: 30 cm Depth: 30 cm Height: 5 cm Weight: 1.779 g Condition Excellent antique condition. No cracks, hairlines, or restorations (UV tested). Fine glaze crazing verso, original and typical of the type. Fully tracked and insured delivery with professional packaging using recycled materials w...

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