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17th century Dutch portrait of a lady by Nicolaes Maes (1634-1693)

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1202238****Date of manufacture: 17th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 43.7 cm (17.2")

Width = 33.1 cm (13.0")

Description

Portrait of a lady by Dutch Golden Age painter Nicolaes Maes (1634-1693). Half-length, within a feigned oval, the lady wears a pearl necklace and earrings, an ivory silk gown adorned with pearls with a crimson cloak, her dark brown hair dressed in the fashionable ringlet style of the period. She is presented against a landscape setting at dusk. Traces of signature bottom right. Circa 1671. This is a classic example of Maes portraiture technique and style at the height of his career as the leading portrait painter of his time in the Netherlands. The sitter was in all likelihood the daughter or wife of a wealthy merchant, part of the affluent rising class keen to display their new found prosperity and success through commissioning portraits of their family wearing clothes made from luxurious fabrics and fine pearl jewellery. The painting is registered as by Maes in the RKD records (Netherlands Institute for Art history) in The Hague, no. 150163. Oil on canvas in a dutch style ebony frame. Provenance: Sotheby's, Amsterdam, 6 May 1998, lot 10 Kunstzalen A. Vecht, Amsterdam (2001) Private collection, The Netherlands Nicolaes Maes was one of Rembrandt's most talented pup...

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