

SA1205754

Large Japanese Bronze Okimono Bears - Kaniya Kuniharu

Price

GBP 24,500

| USD \$33,403 | EUR 28,589

Item Reference: SA1205754**Date of manufacture: 1890**

Dimensions

Height = 37 cm (14.6")

Width = 52 cm (20.5")

Depth = 37 cm (14.6")

Description

As part of our Japanese works of art collection we are delighted to offer this most captivating Meiji Period (1868-1912) bronze study of bears upon a rocky outcrop. The well recorded artist Kaniya Kuniharu has captured in exquisite detail the most enchanting scene of an adult bear attempting to catch a fish as its cub looks on. There seems little doubt that the cub is learning its parents skills to hunt what will become its staple diet, wild salmon. The bears fur and facial features rendered in fine detail, the menacing claws razor sharp. The cubs curious facial expression really does bring this most natural scene to life . Quite simply a captivating Tokyo school okimono that is sure to appeal to a wider audience. Fully artist signed to the rear. Literature : "Kaniya Kuniharu was one of the foremost craftsmen in cast bronze of the Meiji Period. He had been taught by two particularly eminent artists, Takamura Koun (1852-1934) and Otake Norikuni (b.1852). Koun, a master of wood sculpture, had been appointed Professor of sculpture at the founding of the Tokyo Art School in 1889. "Kuniharu himself was one of the founding members of the Tokyo Chukin Kai (Tokyo Cast Metal Ass...

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