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Royal Dux Bohemia Large Art Nouveau Figures Modelled by H. Schubert

Price

GBP 1,000

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Date of manufacture: Edwardian

Dimensions

Height = 37 cm (14.6")

Width = 19 cm (7.5")

Depth = 14 cm (5.5")

Description

An impressive pair of Royal Dux Bohemia Art Nouveau figures modelled by Hermann Schubert in 1912. The mirrored compositions depict seated maidens beneath spreading trees accompanied by winged putti, with integrated baskets forming part of the sculptural design. Executed in matte biscuit porcelain with delicate gilding and softly shaded pastel enamels, the pair displays Royal Dux's finest Art Nouveau treatment, especially in the satin-like drapery that gives the impression of shimmering silk. The pair most likely forms an allegory of the seasons. The right-hand figure appears to represent Spring and the awakening of nature, while the left-hand figure can be interpreted as Summer. The open basket beside the seated maiden was intended, by the designer's original concept, to hold flowers, potpourri or fresh berries. The undersides retain the applied pink triangular Royal Dux Bohemia mark and incised model numbers 2441 and 2442. A moulded signature "H. Schubert" appears to the side, identifying Hermann Schubert as the sculptor of the original models. Hermann Schubert was a renowned German sculptor and professor at the Dresden Academy of Fine Arts who collaborated with Roy...

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