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C. 1800, Francois-pierre Guillois, Life-size, Articulated Lay Figure (french)

Price

GBP 3,950

| USD \$5,335 | EUR 4,620

Item Reference: SA1218626**Date of manufacture: 1800**

Dimensions

Height = 155 cm (61.0")

Description

Circa 1800, Very Early and Very Rare, Life-Size, Artist's Mannequin by Francois-Pierre Guillois, with Brass Articulated Fingers and Steel Joints (French). This Lay Figure is believed to be a very early model, or even a prototype, by Francois-Pierre Guillois, due to its boxed body and naive construction. The fingers of the hands are articulated and made of brass. Later models by Francois-Pierre Guillois had distal phalanges (finger and thumb tips) made of carved wood. **CONDITION:** Wear commensurate with age. All joints function. Signs of a historic minor repair to right shoulder joint. **PROVENANCE:** From the Estate of renowned antique historian and collector, Eddi Van Auken (1946-2024), in California who acquired it in Paris, France in the 1970's. **ABOUT FRANCOIS-PIERRE GUILLOIS:** François-Pierre Guillois (1741 – 1831) was a renowned 18th-century French mechanic and creator recognised for producing highly sophisticated, articulated wooden and iron lay figures (mannequins) used by artists. Active in the late 18th century, his mannequins were distinguished by their advanced anatomical accuracy, allowing for a wide range of motion and detailed poses. His creations...

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