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Lovely 19th century hand carved mother of pearl and leather coin purse.

Price

GBP 165

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Date of manufacture: 19th Century

Description

Very striking 19th century hand carved lustrous mother of pearl and leather expanding purse with intricately carved Renaissance scene on front plaque of a female musician playing the mandolin to accompany a male singer, while both of them read music from a duet music stand. They stand on what appears to be an elaborately decorated stage with thick curtains pulled back with tassels. The reverse of the purse is a plain mother of pearl plaque. Under the mother of pearl is a leather covered metal frame. The purse opens to reveal crimson silk lined compartments. It is hinged on bottom, and closes with a tightly sprung push button catch. Size-3 inches wide by 2 5/8 inches high by .5 inches deep closed. Weight-60 grams without wrapping. A beautiful little purse in very good condition for its age, with the exception of some losses to the pierced scalloped border around the front plaque as seen in photos. A lovely object for a collection with beautiful colour and patina. Due to the musical theme, it might also be nice as a gift to someone who is musically inclined.

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