

SA171957

SOLD....Portrait of a Lady in Blue c.1855; attributed to Charles Baxter RBA

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Item Reference: SA171957

Date of manufacture: 1850

Description

Oil on canvas in original gilt frame. Standing on a terrace the sitter looks out beguilingly, a fashionable Kashmir shawl over her arm. This charming portrait of a pretty young lady is a fine example of Baxter's work. His female heads are especially characterised by refinement of expression and purity of colour, shown here to perfection. CHARLES BAXTER RBA (March 1809 - 10 January 1879) was an English portrait and subject painter, known especially for his portraits of pretty young women. Baxter was born in Little Britain, London in 1809, the son of a book clasp maker, and started his career apprenticed to a bookbinder. However, he gave up this business to commence life as a professional painter, chiefly of miniatures and portraits. In 1834 he made the acquaintance of George Clint, from whom he received some valuable instruction, and in the same year exhibited for the first time at the Royal Academy. In 1839 he joined the Clipstone Street Society, and studied there along with Paul Falconer Poole, William Müller, Edward Duncan (1804–1882), Joseph John Jenkins (1811–1885), Francis William Topham (1808–18), and others, who afterwards became distinguished in the profession. ...

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