

SA172850

SOLD....Portrait of a Young Boy and His Cat c.1830; English School.

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Item Reference: SA172850

Date of manufacture: 1800

Description

Oil on canvas in distressed Victorian frame. An appealing portrait of a young boy and his pet cat painted c. 1830. The boy gazes calmly out at us whilst holding a wriggling cat (little more than a kitten). As was then the fashion, indeed, as it had been for centuries, young boys wore a dress until they were about six or seven when they were 'breeched' and wore their first proper male clothing. The boy wears an extraordinary hat which seems to be Greek or Ottoman in inspiration. The poet Lord Byron was painted wearing one with Greek national costume at this time. The sitter and the artist are both unknown but the latter seems to have influenced by Sir Thomas Lawrence PRA FRS (13 April 1769 – 7 January 1830) who was a leading English portrait painter and President of the Royal Academy. SIZE: 40.5 x 35.25 inches inc. frame. Canvas size: 30 x 25 inches. PROVENANCE: Private Collection, Shropshire.

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