

**SA192350**

**SOLD....Portrait of a Young Girl  
with her Pets c.1810; Studio or  
Circle of William Owen R.A.**

Price

**Sold**

**Item Reference: SA192350**

**Date of manufacture: 1800**

## Description

Oil on canvas in giltwood frame. An utterly enchanting portrait of a little girl, about three years old, offering a savoury treat to her dog, unaware that her parrot has opened the door of its cage and has designs on the larger piece she holds behind her back. This a superb evocation of a late Georgian childhood with an amusing twist. WILLIAM OWEN RA, (born Ludlow, 1769; died in London, 11 March 1825) was the son of a bookseller, he was educated at the grammar school in Ludlow and was sent to London in 1786 to study under Charles Catton the elder (1728-98), coach painter to George III and founder-member of the Royal Academy. Owen's copy of a work by Reynolds, made soon after his arrival, attracted the latter's attention. He entered the Royal Academy Schools in 1791 and exhibited at the Royal Academy the following year. From then on he exhibited there every year, apart from 1823 and 1825, and was elected ARA in 1804 and RA in 1806. He painted a number of rural scenes but specialized in portrait painting. Although his reputation was eclipsed by that of Thomas Lawrence, he was sought after by many of the eminent figures of the day, producing portraits of the Archbishop...

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