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Portrait of a Young Boy with a Dog c.1740; English School.

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Item Reference: SA303463

Date of manufacture: 1750

Description

Oil on canvas in giltwood period frame. Painted within a feigned oval, the young boy looks confidently out at the viewer, standing with relaxed elegance...one hand on his hip, the other on his dog. Although the animal was probably his pet, in portraiture a dog represents fidelity and trust; also when included in a child's portrait it can signify how children, like animals, need to be trained and disciplined to become responsible adults. The artist is an unknown provincial; although he has been influenced somewhat by the fashionable portrait painter Charles Jervas his style has a direct, slightly naive quality which has great appeal. SIZE: 34.5 x 30 inches inc. frame. PROVENANCE: Private Collection, Lincolnshire.

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