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Portrait of Lady by R.T
Pentreath c.1853.

Price

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Date of manufacture: 1850

Description

Large and attractive mid 19th.c. portrait in oil on canvas of Ellen Zipporah Onslow (1820-1877) by the acclaimed Cornish painter Richard Thomas Pentreath (1806 – 1869). Beautifully painted, with a healthy pink complexion, shown half length in striking white lace bodice and black shawl with a ruby and gold clasp. Both sitter and artist are clearly identified on the rear of the canvas together with the date 1853. Excellent condition, presented on the original stretcher in a fine period gilt frame. The following biography of Richard Thomas Pentreath is taken from the website of the Penlee House Gallery & Museum of Penzance. On 1 August 1806, one Julia Pentreath of Mousehole (wife of the schoolmaster and Parish Clerk, Richard Pentreath) gave birth to a son who became one of the most accomplished artists of his generation: Richard Thomas Pentreath. Pentreath is best known for his lithographic prints, which were published from 1829, and his pictures were produced as prints throughout his career. He was a master of a wide range of media, however, including oils, watercolours and pastels, and he was greatly acclaimed for both portrait and landscape paintings. His began his ar...

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