

SA578078

Sir William Orpen: The Roscommon Dragoon, Collotype, 1919

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA578078****Date of manufacture: 1920**

Dimensions

Height = 45 cm (17.7")

Width = 35.5 cm (14.0")

Depth = 2 cm (0.8")

Description

The Roscommon Dragoon by Sir William Orpen (1878-1931) collotype print on cream wove signed by Orpen in pencil bottom right from a limited edition of 300, blind stamp of the Fine Art Trade Guild Whistler frame, 45 x 35.5cm. The original painting depicts Miss Vera Brewster of Cincinnati, later to become Mrs Vera Hone, wife of W. B. Yeats's biographer, Joseph Hone. Painted in 1913, it shows Mrs Hone wearing the tunic of the Armagh Infantry dating from c. 1865 and holding a shako of the Roscommon Infantry militia dating from c. 1830- both borrowed from the National Museum of Ireland especially for the sitting. In 1919 a limited number (300) signed collotypes were made by Orpen from the original before the painting left Europe, bound for a Canadian collector.

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