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**Portrait of Catharina
Margaretha Beck c.1695;
Attributed to Johannes van
Haensbergen.**

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA675256****Date of manufacture: 17th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 71 cm (28.0")

Width = 61.5 cm (24.2")

Depth = 6.5 cm (2.6")

Description

Small oil on canvas in period carved and giltwood frame. The young sitter, Catharina Margaretha Beck, by the standards of the time of marriageable age, is depicted in the mythical realm of Arcady, a fashionable conceit of the time. Arcady, or Arcadia, was a mythological land, home of the god Pan, where love, innocence, and peace reigned. At the centre of Arcady is the Garden of Love where a figure of Cupid sits atop a fountain. The fountain makes an allusion to her potential as a wife and mother, recalling Proverbs, chapter 5, verse 18 "Let thy fountain be blessed, and rejoice in the wife of thy youth". This is a very high quality portrait with symbolism typical of the Baroque period. CATHERINA MARGARETHA BECK (1680 -1737) was born in Middelburg, Walcheren, where her father was Burgomaster. She became the second wife of Baron Guisbert van Hogendorp van Hofwegen in 1696. Thus she married into an old and influential family of the Dutch nobility. The marriage produced nine children of whom three died in the year of their birth. Catherina died in South Gravenage in 1737, aged 57. JOHANNES (Jan) VAN HAENSBERGEN (1642-1705) was a Dutch Golden Age painter. He was registered i...

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