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Portrait of Margery Angelo Swynnerton, 1917, by Frederick Swynnerton.

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA730775

Date of manufacture: 1910

Dimensions

Height = 96.5 cm (38.0")

Width = 80 cm (31.5")

Depth = 5.5 cm (2.2")

Description

A fine quality portrait of an attractive young woman, the artist's daughter, painted in 1917 when she was 23; in its original frame. Signed and dated lower right. FREDERICK SWYNNERTON (1858-1918) was a painter of some distinction. Born in Douglas on the Isle of Man, he was a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of London and lectured on Manx prehistoric remains. He was taught painting first in Rome, where he lived in the ménage kept by his older brother, the sculptor Joseph William Swynnerton and his wife, Annie, the painter and suffragette, who was elected to the Royal Academy. He bought the wall-paintings of the Domus Aurea whilst in Rome; they are now in the British Museum. He went on to the Académie Julian in Paris and then set out for India, to make a career for himself as a portrait painter. He married the daughter of an Anglo-Italian fencing and soldiering family, Louise Oldfield Angelo, and lived with them in Simla. Louise died in 1941. Swynnerton painted portraits of many of the important Europeans in India. He died suddenly in Bombay in 1918, the year after he painted this portrait, and is buried at the Sewri Christian Cemetery. MARGERY AUGUSTUS ANGELO SWY...

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