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Portrait of a Young Nobleman in Armour c.1690's; Studio of Francois de Troy (1645-1730)

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA770646****Date of manufacture: 17th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 161 cm (63.4")

Width = 129 cm (50.8")

Depth = 12 cm (4.7")

Description

This exquisite work formed part of the collection of the Clan Macpherson's at their historic seat, Cluny Castle, Scotland. The painting was sold as part of a large sale of "Furnishings and Plenishings of the Castle..." from the Estate of Albert Macpherson of Cluny Macpherson, 17th chief (1854-1932), the last of the direct line of the Macphersons of Cluny, in a sale held in 1943. This portrait along with important heirlooms and historical Clan Chattan relics were sold, thus dispersing a collection that was compiled over many centuries. Our painting was acquired by Thomas Macpherson, 1st Baron Macpherson of Drumochter (1888-1965). The young sitter in this sumptuous large-scale portrait is featured wearing a fashionable long wig and donning a large taffeta bow, fashionable in the late seventeenth century, above an ingeniously embellished ceremonial armour. The prestigious character of this portrait is accentuated by the gold fringed curtain, which directs the viewer to a town with castellated architecture, perhaps the sitter's possessions. The sitter is displayed as a brave and chivalrous character, and was likely of some distinction, and certainly of wealth, for such fin...

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