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Portrait of a Young Lady
c.1730, Circle of Sir Godfrey Kneller.

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Item Reference: SA815151

Date of manufacture: 18th Century

Dimensions

Height = 91 cm (35.8")

Width = 79 cm (31.1")

Depth = 4 cm (1.6")

Description

Oil on canvas in a gilded frame. The identity of the sitter is, at the present, unknown. It seems quite likely that this attractive young lady was a member of either the Morice or the Lee families. Regardless of the sitter's identity, this is a charming and sensitive portrait. SIR GODFREY KNELLER (1646-1723) studied under Ferdinand Bol, and perhaps Rembrandt himself in the 1660s. He was in Rome and Venice between 1672 and 1675, settling in England in 1676 for life. He was soon employed at Court and became the most successful portraitist of the generation following Lely. He enjoyed the office of Principal Painter to the King, at first jointly with John Riley (d.1691), from shortly after the accession of William and Mary in 1688 until his death. He was knighted in 1692 and became a baronet in 1715. His work fully expresses the spirit of the English Baroque, and his influence on other artists was great. SIZE: 36 x 31 inches framed. PROVENANCE: Ruyton Hall, Shropshire.

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