

SA819389

Bronze Sculpture of a Lion

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA819389****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 9 cm (3.5")

Width = 14 cm (5.5")

Depth = 6 cm (2.4")

Description

Bronze sculpture of a lion by the French sculptor Paul-Édouard Delabrierre (29 March 1829–1912). Delabrierre was a French animal sculptor who worked in the mid-to-late 19th century and the early 20th century. He had 70 of his sculptures juried into the prestigious Salon art exhibition held annually in Paris. His monumental work called L'Equitation adorns the facade of the Louvre. Delabrierre first studied painting under the direction of Jean-Baptiste Delestre but ultimately became a sculptor instead. Little is known of Delabrierre's life besides the work he left behind which exist in bronze, plaster, wax, and terracotta. He was an important member of the animalier school who exhibited at the Salon from 1848 through 1882. His first two exhibits were typical of the style of his work throughout his career. He submitted Greyhound Holding a Hare and Wounded Deer. Most of his works were comparatively small models, however his larger pieces often incorporated figures. His work varies in style and quality with some models directly influenced by Antoine-Louis Barye who was the father of the animalier school. Delabrierre's more popular realist bronzes were of impeccable qual...

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