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The 1862 International Exhibition Prize Medal Awarded to De Grave Short & Fanner London

Price

GBP 2,000

| USD \$2,706 | EUR 2,340

Item Reference: SA841031

Date of manufacture: 1860

Dimensions

Height = 8 cm (3.1")

Width = 8 cm (3.1")

Depth = 0.8 cm (0.3")

Description

For sale, the 1862 London International Exhibition bronze prize medal for the famous scale making company of De Grave, Short & Fanner. This superbly executed medal was awarded and individually engraved to each of the 1862 Exhibitors that were bestowed with a prize for their efforts. Struck entirely from bronze, the obverse face shows Britannia seated with shield to her side and a sleeping lion at her feet. She is surrounded by six women each individually representing Industry, Agriculture and The Arts. The rim below the lion is marked with, D. Maclise R.A. DES. & Leonard C. Wyon FEC. The reverse shows a wreath of oak running around the inner circumference with the words, 1862 Londini Honoris Causa which effectively translates to "London, a mark of esteem or respect" to the centre. In small letters to the base, the name of L.C. Wyon FEC is repeated. The edge of the medal is further engraved to De Grave, Short & Fanner. Class XIII. The International Exhibition was declared open by The Duke of Cambridge on the 1st of May 1862 in South Kensington on a site which is now occupied by The Natural History Museum. To give some idea of its scale, it featured nearly thirty thous...

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