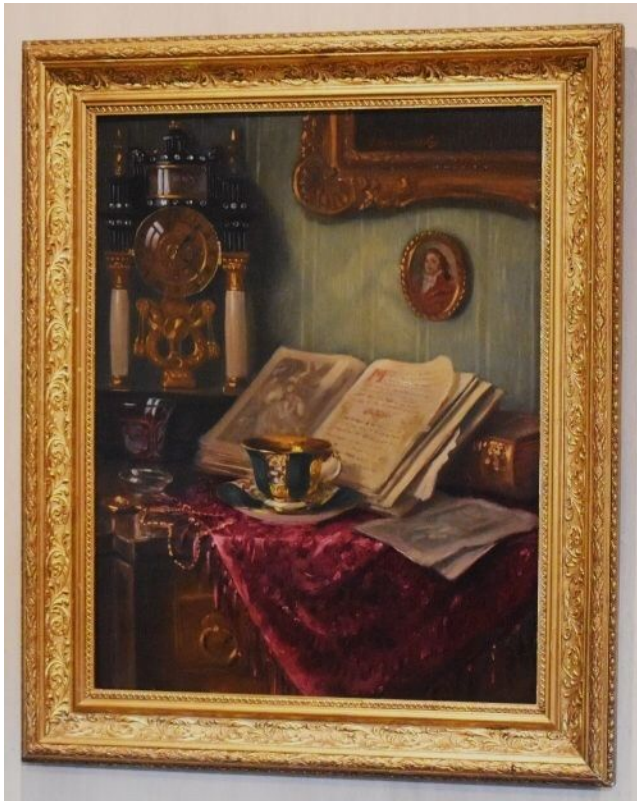


SA889455

After Edwaert Collier, Vanitas With Portico Clock Books & Cup & Saucer - Antique Oil Paintings

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA889455****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 65 cm (25.6")

Width = 53 cm (20.9")

Depth = 4 cm (1.6")

Description

After Edwaert Collier (c.1640-1708) Dutch. This artist is recognised as one of the masters of this genre and type of painting. A fine and decorative oil on wooden panel still life interior scene. A book is open on a chenille throw at a desk, the reader has a cup of tea and something stronger in a glass to the side. There is a locket on the desk and behind the book on the wall a miniature of a handsome man, to the side is a large and impressive clock. - VANITAS A still life artwork which includes various symbolic objects designed to remind the viewer of their mortality and of the worthlessness of worldly goods and pleasures - The term originally comes from the opening lines of the Book of Ecclesiastes in the Bible: 'Vanity of vanities, saith the Preacher, vanity of vanities, all is vanity.' - Vanitas are closely related to memento mori still lifes which are artworks that remind the viewer of the shortness and fragility of life (memento mori is a Latin phrase meaning 'remember you must die') and include symbols such as skulls and extinguished candles. However vanitas still-lifes also include other symbols such as musical instruments, wine and books to remind us explicitl...

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