

SA948462

North European Art Nouveau Demi-lune Shaped Oak Pedestal Writing Desk

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA948462****Date of manufacture: 1900**

Dimensions

Height = 78 cm (30.7")

Width = 163 cm (64.2")

Depth = 80 cm (31.5")

Description

Of exhibition quality a North European Art Nouveau Demi-Lune Shaped Oak Pedestal Writing Desk, a superb example. North European - Possibly Scandinavian. Circa 1900. The shaped and crossbanded top having chevron segmented veneers within a moulded surround below two short and one longer channelled carved frieze drawers, above a kneehole recess flanked by a pair of doors with chevron segmented veneers having shield inlaid motifs and decorative metal clad escutcheons to the inner upper corners. The interior fitted with sliding trays and shelves, the outer corner pillar terminals with stylised carving surmounted by foliate carved capitals and with carved frog sentinels to the top. The sides and rear with a moulded frieze and rectangular panels including a cupboard door fitted with two shelves, all raised on a moulded plinth base. This distinctive Art Nouveau desk appears to be a one off commission piece of exhibition quality. An attribution has not been possible at this stage but research continues into who made / designed this wonderful desk. There are many attractive details which we have not seen before, the inclusion of carved frogs have a significance but their promi...

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