

SA970924

Curt Ruger, Portrait Study Of A Girl - Antique Oil Painting

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA970924****Date of manufacture: 1880**

Dimensions

Height = 59 cm (23.2")

Width = 49 cm (19.3")

Depth = 5 cm (2.0")

Description

This late 19th-century oil painting by German artist Curt Ruger (1867-1930) depicts a young girl seated. It was completed during his time at the Academy of Fine Arts in Dresden. Great portraits extend beyond the aesthetic. They trick the mind into believing there's more to an image than simply a two-dimensional representation. Personally, I feel there's 'spirit' in good portraiture, a quality that's distinctly other-worldly. You may feel the same, you sense a connection with a piece but you can't describe how it makes you feel. To capture spirit, an artist needs to flourish in the tricky space between technical prowess and improvisation. If they underwork a portrait, the details may fall short. But if they overwork a portrait, the spirit is lost. It's a fragile component - a wisp in the wind. Often painfully elusive due to its intangible quality. Here, Ruger reaches a level that belies his years. He's only 19 and working without fear. Rapidly finding a likeness and then walking away. Signed/dated lower right and held within a contemporary frame. Learn more about Curt Ruger in our directory. Medium: Oil on canvas Overall size: 19½" x 23½" / 49cm x 59cm Year of creati...

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