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The Feast Of Herod D After Rubens

6 500 EUR



Signature : RUBENS

Period : 17th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Oil painting

Length : 116 cm

Width : 85 cm

Description

The feast of Herod is an episode of the Gospels following the detachment of John the Baptist, when Salome presents her head to her parents. Mark's gospel account describes Herod holding a banquet for his high officials and military commanders, as well as high ranking men from Galilee. At this banquet, Herod's daughter dances in front of him. He is happy about it and offers her whatever she asks for in return. The young girl asks her mother what she should ask and she tells her to ask for the head of John the Baptist. Reluctantly, Herod orders the beheading of John and his head is delivered to Salome, at his request, on a plate. This scene is painted around 1635 by RUBENS 1577/1640, Baroque painter Salomé opens the bell of the silver dish to present the head of Jean-Batiste to Herod. This one has a

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terrified look. He grabs the tablecloth and his leg is stretched out, as if he were nervous. The cruel aspect is present in this painting with Salome and Herodias who have a satisfied smile. Herodias touches the head with a fork. The chiaroscuro technique is used for this painting. The painting by RUBENS is at the National Gallery in Edinburgh. Our painting is a copy of this painting. It takes up the composition but with different colors in the costumes of the characters. It is about a copy of the XVII^e century, almost contemporary of the original work. Old re-covering and old restorations.