



A Stellmacher, Terracotta Bust, Arab, 19th Century



900 EUR

Signature : Alfred Stellmacher 1837-1906

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Terracotta

Width : 32

Height : 46

Depth : 18

Description

Rare orientalist bust in polychrome terracotta of an Arab, bearing the mark R St K, for Riessner, Stellmacher and Kessel, as well as the number 1525

The features are very fine, making the character very expressive and lively

Good general condition, chips to clothing and beard (see photos)

Height 46 cm 32 x 18cm

Bibliography: Similar model reproduced in "Terres cottes africanistes et orientalistes", Stéphane Richemond at Editions de l'Amateur, p 127

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Son of ceramist Alfred Stellmacher (1837-1906), Eduard Stellmacher was born in 1868, but the exact date of his death is unknown. A sculptor like his father, Eduard sees himself inheriting with three other artists (Hans Riessner, painter and his brother Karl as well as Joseph Kessel, his employees and his sons-in-law) part of his father's business.

Their specialty lies in ivory-white porcelain. By 1894, the factory had 250 employees and stores located in Paris and Berlin. Two years later, it took the official name of "Riessner, Stellmacher & Kessel".

In 1910, Eduard's factory went bankrupt and went into liquidation two years later.

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