



French School Of The 19th Century Portrait Of A Boy Holding A Book, Drawing



595 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Paper

Width : 32

Height : 39.5

Description

French school circa 1880

Portrait of a boy holding a book

graphite and white gouache on paper

39.5 x 32 cm oval view

in good condition, slightly yellowed with age

In its original oval frame and mount, numerous stains and foxing.

The back of the frame has just been replaced.

This strikingly realistic portrait is typical of the golden age of portraiture in the second half of the 19th century. It was also the time, with the invention of photography, when the painted and drawn portrait was most seriously challenged.

This forced artists to outdo themselves to prove their superiority over this new invention.

The great technical mastery is evident in this

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portrait, but the artist was also able to capture the young boy's inner self and convey the special psychology of childhood.