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## Attributed To Herman Doncker (1595 - Circa 1650/51), Family Portrait With A Small Pony



11 000 EUR

Period : 17th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Oil painting on wood

Description
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Attributed to Herman Doncker

Dutch painter

Hoorn, 1595 - circa 1650/51, probably in

Enkhuizen

A family portrait with a small pony

Oil on panel : 78,0 X 90,5 cm

Unsigned

Frame : 95,9 X 83,2 cm

Dealer
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The painting was varnished Friday 6th of September;

Some white fluffs are sticking in the varnish; they will be taken away once the varnish is completely dry.

Herman Docker was born in Hoorn, in West-Friesland. Around the age of fourty he was

active in Haarlem, in Holland, painting genre scenes. Some five years later he moved to Enkhuizen, which was also a West-Frisian port, like nearby Hoorn.

In Enkhuizen Doncker specialised in portraits, such as our painting. The stiffness of his figures and the rather old-fashioned, but expensive black clothing are typical of West-Frisian portraiture. Doncker painted it during the 1640s. He must have died here around 1650/51.

Early 17th century Dutch boy's portraits with ponies are extremely rare and very sought-after. In 1609 Jan Claesz., who had also been active in Enkhuizen, painted a portrait of a five-year old boy with his pony ; it is being exhibited at the Enkhuizen Town Hall. Another boy's portrait with a small horse, dating from 1618 and attributed to Jan Claesz. was sold at Sotheby's Paris for 360.750 EUR.

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