



## Bronze Statue - Hebe - Goddess Of Youth



21 000 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Bronze

### Description

This exquisite bronze sculpture, "Hebe," is a masterful depiction of the Greek goddess of youth. Known for her classical style and dedication to the ideals of beauty, Bertel Thorvaldsen's bronze sculpture Hebe was created in 1816. Thorvaldsen, a prominent Danish sculptor known for his neoclassical style, originally sculpted Hebe in marble, capturing the essence of the Greek goddess of youth. The statue has since been cast in bronze in various editions, making it an iconic piece in both marble and bronze that reflects Thorvaldsen's dedication to classical themes and artistic mastery. In Greek mythology, Hebe was the daughter of Zeus and Hera and served as the gods' cupbearer, offering ambrosia to maintain their immortality. Thorvaldsen's sculpture immortalizes her in this

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role, holding a delicate cup in one hand and a pitcher in the other. Her serene, downcast gaze and gentle expression evoke a sense of modesty and reverence, embodying the virtues of eternal youth and servitude. The artist's skill is evident in the intricate detailing of Hebe's robes, which fall in soft, flowing folds around her figure. The golden patina of her robes contrasts beautifully with the darker bronze of her skin, adding depth and a refined aesthetic that highlights her ethereal beauty. The delicate headdress adorning her hair, as well as the subtle musculature of her arms and shoulders, reflect Thorvaldsen's dedication to anatomical precision and classical ideals of proportion and harmony. With a finish that mirrors the ancient bronzes of Greece, this piece exudes an air of antiquity while maintaining a timeless appeal. Mounted on a stable base, the statue commands attention and invites contemplation, making it an ideal centerpiece for any art collection, particularly for those who appreciate neoclassical and mythological art. This "Hebe" sculpture is more than just a decorative object; it is a symbol of youth, beauty, and eternal grace, capturing the spirit of an era that celebrated the human form and divine elegance. Perfect for display in galleries, libraries, or personal collections, this piece will inspire awe and respect in all who view it.