



North European School Mardi Gras Oil On Copper 19th Century

7 500 EUR



Signature : Ecole du Nord de l'Europe - Recherches en cours sur la signature

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Oil painting on copper

Length : 60

Height : 40

Description

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Immerse yourself in the festive and colorful world of this magnificent oil on copper, a captivating work from the North European School of the 19th century. Although the painter's signature remains unidentified, this piece transports us into the naïve spirit of the great Flemish masters of the 17th century, celebrating an emblematic festival: Mardi Gras.

A Vibrant and Colorful Scene:

The end of winter with abundant snow still on the ground. You discover a lively scene where numerous characters don elaborate, shimmering

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costumes typical of carnivals. Mysterious masks, disguises, and ornate hats blend in a dance of colors.

Some characters wear military uniforms, adding a touch of solemnity to the festivities, with jackets adorned with golden buttons and distinctive hats.

Other figures are dressed in traditional European attire, recalling the elegance of a bygone era.

The festive costumes are not lacking in originality, bringing a touch of magic and fantasy to the scene.

An Artistic Treasure:

This oil on copper, signed in the lower left corner with an unidentified monogram, is certainly a work from the North European School of the last quarter of the 19th century. It is in excellent condition, ready to adorn the walls of art and history enthusiasts.

Dimensions without frame: Height 15.7 inches -
Length 23.6 inches

Dimensions with frame: Height 22.8 inches -
Length 30.7 inches

The Magic of Mardi Gras in North Europe in the 19th Century:

Mardi Gras marks the end of the seven fat days before Lent, a period of fasting and reflection in the Christian tradition. It is an opportunity to dress up, sing, dance, and parade in the streets before the start of Lent.

In Russia, Maslenitsa, the Mardi Gras celebrations, include costumes and festivities before the beginning of Orthodox Lent.

In Germany, Karneval is very popular in the southern regions, with parades and festivities

starting on the Thursday before Mardi Gras.

Mardi Gras is often associated with festive practices such as parades, costumes, and treats. It is a time when the rules of everyday life are set aside, allowing for a form of release before Lent.

These celebrations show how Mardi Gras is a festival that transcends borders, blending local traditions and historical influences to create moments of joy and conviviality before the start of Lent.