



## 1480 Ca. - France Or Italy - Bronze Brooch With A Cherub



300 EUR

Period : Before 16th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Bronze

Width : 3.7

Height : 3.7

Depth : 1.5

### Description

Bronze brooch (traces of gilding) with a cherub's face embossed in high relief. An Italian or French work from the late 15th and early 16th centuries, in true Renaissance style. The brooch is structured around a double octagon: in the central octagon, the cherub's beautifully embossed face rises, and despite its miniature size, it features well-defined features and expertly crafted lines. The expression, halfway between wise and mocking, perfectly embodies the spirit of these creatures, especially as idealized during the Renaissance: cherubs conceived as celestial children, who with naive wisdom and lively knowledge protect and populate the kingdom of heaven. It's not easy to convey this intention in such a small face... a true Renaissance jewel, which has survived in excellent condition. The outer octagon slopes

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obliquely, creating facets, each with a flower at the center. It should be noted that the brooch itself is made of three assembled pieces: the front face in cast bronze, the cherub's face embossed on copper and then applied, and finally the back, in bronze. Dimensions: 3.7 x 3.7 x 1.5 cm