



## Musical Family Portrait, The Children Of The Count Of Besseuil, Attributed To Jean-françois Gilles



17 500 EUR

Signature : Attribué à Jean-François Gilles, dit Colson (1733-1803)

Period : 18th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Oil painting

Length : 112 cm. (hors cadre)

Width : 85 cm. (hors cadre)

### Description

Attractive group portrait depicting the 4 children of Jean Gabriel Verne, Count de Besseuil and Julie Sophie Guy de la Findoise, making music together. The depicted children are: - Abbe Francois de Besseuil singing. - Genevieve-Henriette Sophie de Besseuil playing a spinet. - Louis Gabriel de Besseuil, playing guitar. - Louis de Besseuil playing violin. The painting is attributed to Jean Francois Gilles Colson, 1733-1803. It comes from the estate of a Dutch tobacco planters family in Zimbabwe. It measures 112 x 85 cm and has been relined in the 19th century. It is placed in a Louis 16th hand carved and gilt frame. On the stretcher there is a lengthy text in brown ink, apparently written by a grandchild of one of the sitters describing the names of all the sitters.\*It was offered in 1992 at

### Dealer

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Jean-François Gilles dit Colson (1733-1803).