



Sphinx Clock, Late 18th Century



6 500 EUR

Period : 18th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Bronze

Width : 34,5 cm

Height : 52 cm

Depth : 11 cm

Description

Large portico clock with plumed sphinxes in white marble, black marble, and chased, gilded, or patinated bronze. The stepped base with four feet, decorated with a frieze of children in the style of Clodion in bas-relief flanked by female mascarons, supports two stepped, star-shaped pedestals with back-to-back sphinxes. These pedestals support the circular white enamel dial with black Roman numerals, signed Chopin à Paris, and are crowned by a reed basin from which two swans are drinking. The clock has a wire-driven movement. Late 18th century.

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Note: A similar clock is held at the Musée des Arts Décoratifs, inv. 2014.112.29. Bibliography:

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