



**Allegory Of Strength, Ernest Justin Ferrand (1846-1932), Bronze Sculpture, 71 Cm**



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Signature : Ernest Justin Ferrand (1846-1932)

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Bronze

Height : 71 cm

Description
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This sublime bronze sculpture, signed by the talented French artist Ernest-Justin Ferrand, embodies a powerful allegory of strength and determination. It is distinguished by its striking realism and expressiveness, characteristic of 19th-century art. The sculpture rests on a round base, finely adorned with naturalistic wave motifs. These details lend a dynamic and organic dimension to the work, evoking the perpetual motion of the sea. A young man, clad in a simple loincloth, sits on a rocky pillar. His hair, as if swept by the wind, reinforces the impression of movement and energy emanating from the piece. He firmly holds a two-pronged harpoon, ready to strike an unseen sea creature, thus symbolizing the struggle between man and nature. This work, also known as "Harpoon Fisherman," is a

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masterpiece of realism. The rich and nuanced brown patina gives the sculpture exceptional depth and warmth. Subtle variations in tone enliven the bronze, creating a play of light that highlights every detail. The statue is in excellent condition, a testament to the care taken in its preservation over the years. It is signed "FERRAND" on the base of the rock, a mark of authenticity that reinforces its historical and artistic value. Dating from around 1890, this piece is a magnificent example of French craftsmanship of the period. Standing 71 cm tall (from the base to the top of the hand), this sculpture commands a majestic presence in any space. It is worth noting that one of the harpoon's prongs has been skillfully reattached, without altering the beauty or integrity of the work. This allegory of strength, both elegant and powerful, is a rare piece that will appeal to art lovers and collectors alike. It embodies the audacity, perseverance, and technical mastery of Ernest-Justin Ferrand, an artist whose genius continues to fascinate more than a century after its creation. Perfect for enriching a collection or enhancing an interior, this sculpture is an invitation to contemplate the timeless beauty of French art. You can follow me on Instagram by following this link:

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