



Jean Després, Silver-plated Kettledrum, 20th Century



550 EUR

Signature : Jean Després (1889-1980)

Period : 20th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Silver metal

Diameter : 6,5 cm (col) - 5,5 cm (base)

Height : 9 cm

Description

Silvered metal tulip-shaped tumbler resting on a pedestal trimmed with three friezes of pearls. Signed "Després" at the point below the base. Master's hallmark (initials JD framing a timbale) at the neck. Jean Després (1889-1980) was a French silversmith from a family of glassmakers. Trained from an early age by a Parisian goldsmith who was a friend of his father, he also took drawing lessons and frequented the Bateau-Lavoir, where he met Braque, Picasso, Modigliani,... During the First World War, he was mobilized as an aviation design mechanic, an experience that left him with a taste for mechanical forms and geometric aesthetics. In 1924, he opened a workshop and boutique in his native Avallon, where he presented highly modern goldsmiths' and jewellers' pieces. He also

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exhibited regularly at the Salon and opened another store in Paris, frequented by a prestigious clientele that included Josephine Baker. Usage scratches. Good overall condition. Thirties period. Dimensions: H: 9 cm D: 6.5 cm (neck) - 5.5 cm (base)