



Sculpture - The Standing Bull , Louis Vidal (1831-1892) - Bronze



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Signature : LOUIS VIDAL (1831-1892) DIT "VIDAL L'AVEUGLE"

Period : 19th century

Condition : Parfait état

Material : Bronze

Length : 22.2 cm

Height : 16 cm

Description

Bronze cast with a brown patina , depicting a standing bull , by the French sculptor Louis Vidal (1831-1892) .This sculpture is one of the artist's major works , it was created by Louis Vidal while he was blind .A renowned animal sculptor , Louis Vidal, known as "Vidal the Blind", or "Vidal-Navatel", was visually impaired from a very young age before becoming blind around 1853 , he then relied on touch instead of sight to shape his sculptures.Bronze piece resting on a naturalistic base bearing the sculptor's signature "Vidal (the Blind)".Antique sculpture , dating from the second half of the 19th century .In perfect condition with well-preserved patina .Dimensions : 16 cm x 22.2 cmLouis Vidal (1831-1892)Louis Vidal, known as "Vidal the Blind" or "Vidal-Navatel", was a famous French

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animal sculptor .Born on December 6 , 1831 , in Nîmes , he grew up in a family of artists , his stepfather was the painter "Alexandre Colin" , who had married his mother in her second marriage .He began his training with anatomy classes before losing his sight in 1853 , which prevented him from continuing on that path .He then decided to turn to sculpture .He studied under the animal sculptors "Antoine-Louis Barye" and "Pierre Louis Rouillard" and became an animal sculptor himself, relying on touch rather than sight .Louis Vidal remains best known as the creator of a sculpture depicting a "Roaring Lion" , as well as a bronze "Bull" , which was donated by the government to the Museum of Fine-Arts in Nîmes , in 1867.Louis Vidal worked notably with Alfred Barye , the son of his mentor Antoine-Louis Barye .The artist became a professor of modeling in 1888 at the School "Braille" in Paris .His portrait , taken by photographer Étienne Carjat in 1865 and acquired by the National Museums in 1986 , is housed at the Orsay Museum in Paris .Louis Vidal died on May 9, 1892 , at the "Quinze-Vingts Hospital" in Paris .