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Jules Desbois, Important Museum-quality Bronze Medal, "les Armes De France," Cast By A.a. Hébrard



8 000 EUR

Signature : J. Desbois A.A. HÉBRARD - Paris

Period : 19th century

Condition : Parfait état

Description

Jules DESBOIS 1851-1935 Important museum-quality bronze medal, *Les Armes de France*, cast by A.A. Hébrard, 1904 Exceptional and rare Art Nouveau-era bronze bas-relief with a golden patina, titled Les Armes de France, created by the sculptor Jules DESBOIS (1851-1935), a renowned artist and collaborator of Auguste Rodin. The work depicts a draped female allegory surrounded by ears of grain and foliage, characteristic of the artist's fluid and powerful compositions. Signed J. Desbois at the bottom left. The foundry mark of the prestigious foundry A.A. HÉBRARD - Paris is engraved in the lower right corner. This plaque is a unique historical artifact linked to the world of fencing during the Belle Époque. It served as a trophy for the Intersalles Mixed Foil Challenge in 1904,

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donated by Mr. Georges Breittmayer. It features a complete engraving of the winners from the Salle du Cercle de l'Escrime, notably mentioning the fencing master and great Olympic champion Jean-Baptiste MIMIAGUE, bronze medalist at the 1900 Paris Olympics.

Dimensions of plaque alone: 43 cm × 64.5 cm
Dimensions with original frame: 54 cm × 75 cm
Weight: Approximately 20 kg

In very fine condition, with a superb original patina, mounted in its period wooden frame. A museum-quality piece for collectors of Art Nouveau works by Jules Desbois, featuring athletic and Olympic themes.

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