



Auguste-joseph Peiffer (1832-1879), Carrara Marble Bust Of A Young Girl With A Swallow.



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Signature : Auguste-Joseph Peiffer

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Marble

Width : 21 cm

Height : 36 cm

Depth : 12 cm

Description

This enchanting bust in white Carrara marble is a prime example of the academic art of the second half of the 19th century. The work depicts a delicate portrait of a young girl with a swallow, captured in a pose full of grace and romantic poetry. With elegant restraint, the young girl turns her head to the left, gently averting her gaze from the viewer to focus on her winged companion. The bird--a swallow finely carved in relief--clings tenderly to her chest against the light drape of her bodice. This animal motif, a traditional symbol of renewal and spring, brings a naturalistic dynamism that contrasts with the immaculate whiteness of the material. The piece is signed by the French sculptor Auguste-Joseph Peiffer (1832-1879), an artist renowned for his allegorical representations and poetic female

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figures. Peiffer regularly exhibited at the Paris Salons and distinguished himself through his technical mastery, frequently exploring the theme of the swallow in various media such as bronze and marble. The sculpture is in very good condition, preserving the softness of the facial features as well as the fine details of the carefully tied hair. Its harmonious proportions measure 36 cm in height, 21 cm in width, and 12 cm in depth. Resting on an integrated pedestal with an octagonal base carved from a single block, this marble piece is a refined and highly decorative collector's item. You can follow me on Instagram by clicking this link:

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