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Albert Serafimovich Charkin (1937-2017), Sculpture Of Lenin And The Child, 1973



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Signature : Albert Serafimovich CHARKIN

Period : 20th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Other

Height : 26.5 cm

Description

This sculpture in the round exemplifies the official aesthetic of Soviet statuary from the 1970s. The composition depicts two figures walking: one an adult, representing the leader Vladimir Ilyich Lenin, and the other a child. The leader is immortalized in his traditional iconographic pose, dressed in a three-piece suit with a tie and wearing his iconic cap. His demeanor conveys determination, his gaze fixed on the horizon and his upper body leaning slightly forward. With his left hand, he gently holds the hand of a young boy wearing shorts and a shirt, who is trying to keep pace with him. The joining of their hands serves as the emotional and symbolic anchor of the piece, embodying the transmission of ideology. The work rests on a rectangular plinth cast as a single piece with the

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sculpture, whose textured finish evokes a cobblestone surface. The interior of the sculpture reveals a hollow structure characteristic of lost-wax or sand casting techniques applied to light metals. The surface features its original patina with nuanced highlights, alternating between silvery glints and soft tones of gilded bronze.

Artist: Albert Serafimovich CHARKIN (1937-2017)
Title: Lenin and the Child (Vladimir Ilyich Guiding the Younger Generation)
Date of creation: 1973
Period: Soviet Socialist Realism (Art of the Cold War Era)
Material: Aluminum alloy (art foundry Silumin)
Dimensions: Height: 26.5 cm | Base: rectangular
Marks and Inscriptions: Signature in Cyrillic characters incised on the edge of the pedestal: "?? CHARKIN" (Sculptor Charkin) and dated "1973". Foundry stamp on the reverse.

Albert Serafimovich Charkin (1937-2017) was a leading Russian monumental sculptor who was awarded the prestigious title of People's Artist of the Russian Federation. A graduate of the renowned Repin Institute of Painting, Sculpture, and Architecture in Leningrad, he later joined the USSR Academy of Arts. For many years, he served as director of the St. Petersburg Union of Artists, leaving his mark on the city through its major public monuments. Although famous for his heroic bronzes and large-scale state busts, Charkin also produced works intended for a more intimate audience. This work is part of a specific trend in Soviet propaganda aimed at humanizing the figure of the father of the Revolution. By associating Lenin with the figure of a child, the artist embodies the political concept of the benevolent leader, the supreme guide of the youth and the country's future. These pieces were generally cast in limited editions by the state-run Monumentskulptura factory in Leningrad to adorn reception halls and cultural institutions. Rare on the Western art market, these aluminum castings from the 1970s are now historic and aesthetic milestones highly sought after by collectors of Eastern art.

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