The Persian Sibyl, 18th-century Genoese School



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Period : 18th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Oil painting

Description

Large-format oil on canvas depicting the Persian Sibyl, attributed to the 18th-century Genoese school.Seated near a desk, the Sibyl holds the book of her prophecies while raising her right hand toward the sky. Surrounding her are various attributes associated with writing and knowledge, including books, an inkwell, a quill, and a water clock.An open book near her right foot bears a Latin inscription meaning: "The great God will be born of a chaste virgin." Traditionally associated with the Persian Sibyl, this prophecy was interpreted in the Christian tradition as a foreshadowing of the birth of Christ.The composition follows the Italian tradition of Sibyl depictions, drawing on models popularized by Guercino and disseminated through engravings. Its iconography also evokes the decorative

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tradition of Sibyls and Prophets cultivated in Genoa in the early 18th century, particularly within the artistic circle of Paolo Gerolamo Piola. This stylistic and iconographic similarity does not constitute an attribution to that artist.With its imposing dimensions and prophetic subject matter, this work is a remarkable focal point in a collection of old Italian paintings or a classical interior.School: GenoesePeriod: 18th centuryMedium: oil on canvasDimensions: 193.5 × 116 cm