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An 18th-century Oil On Canvas Depicting Papageno



3 800 EUR

Period : 18th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Oil painting

Width : 76,5 cm

Height : 115 cm

Description

Oil on canvas depicting Papageno in an architectural setting inspired by Italy and wearing a wreath of flowers.Late 18th-century German School. Gilded, molded wooden frame balanced by two vertical knots. This work bears a collection label from the Monte Dei Paschi di Siena Foundation on the back, numbered 166.An iconic character from Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's *The Magic Flute* (1791), this bird charmer is a subject rarely depicted in painting. Embodying earthly pleasures and serving as an icon of the opera (particularly in his well-known duet with Papagena), he is surrounded by flowers to symbolize the vanity of life (one species of flower per social class, all mortal), foreshadowing Papagena's demise. Relineated on the reverse, in very good condition. Dimensions: 115 x 76.5 cm

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