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The Carpet Seller (Rug Merchants)

Filippo Bartolini

AED 80000

One of a kind



Delivery:

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ABOUT

"The Carpet Seller" is an impressive medium-size watercolor painting in original giltwood frame, depicting a Middle-Eastern (probably Algerian) street scene. On the foreground, a rug merchant talks to his clients, while figures behind reveal more details – a boy with a donkey, man carrying a basket on his back – all depicted in signature intricate manner. Signed lower right "Bartolini."

Filippo Bartolini (1861–1908) was an Italian painter celebrated for his contributions to Orientalist art. While details about his life remain scarce, his artistic legacy speaks through his refined technique and evocative compositions. He studied at the prestigious Academy of San Luca under the guidance of professors Tarenghi and Ferrari. After completing his studies, Bartolini established himself in Rome, where he developed a distinctive style marked by luminous colors, delicate transparency in watercolors, and meticulous attention to detail.

Bartolini was also a member of the so-called "Gruppo Simoni", a collective of artists associated with Orientalist themes. Alongside his mentor Enrico Tarenghi (1848-1938), he may have traveled to Algeria in the early 1890s with the renowned painter Gustavo Simoni, an experience that likely influenced his depictions of Eastern landscapes and figures.

ITEM DETAILS

Reference: #PA225

CREATOR

Filippo Bartolini

DIMENSIONS

H 79 cm x W 63.5 cm x D 8 cm

PERIOD / DATE

Late 19th – Early 20th Century

MATERIALS & TECHNIQUES

Watercolor on Paper - Giltwood Frame PLACE OF ORIGIN

Italy

CONDITION

Excellent