



Portrait Of A Noblewoman. Attributed To Carlo Ceresa. About 1640.



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Signature : Carlo Ceresa (1609 - 1679, Bergamo), Attribué.

Period : 17th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Oil painting

Width : 86,5cm

Height : 110cm

Description

Portrait of a noblewoman. Attributed to Carlo Ceresa.

Oil on canvas.

Size cm 110x86,5cm with frame

About 1640.

This portrait depicts a middle-aged woman with great realism, typical of Lombard and Bergamo painters in particular. Carlo Ceresa, probable author of this unsigned painting, had studied with Daniele Crespi, a Lombard painter, from whom he inherited a way of painting with important shadows, characters with a melancholy-austerity attitude. But compared to his master, who died of the plague in 1630, he added a highly decorative coloristic vein, it is said that he was influenced by Venetian painters.

In fact, there is a very interesting dialogue

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between elegance, magnificence and the bright red color of the dress with very rich trimmings and, at the same time, a dramatic light and chiaroscuro of the hands and face, which give a very serious, late Caravaggesque expression to the woman portrayed.

Another point that suggests that it is a portrait painted by Ceresa are lady's hands, the shape and movements of her fingers, which tick a splendid black ribbon that the woman has on her chest and hold gloves in another.

The bright white of the sleeves is painted with great depth and expressiveness.

In a non-ancient handcrafted frame in carved and gilded wood.