

Helios by Richard Garbe

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£4,800



Description

RICHARD LOUIS GARBE, RA

Signed and dated 1929

Plaster with patinated surface

86 cm., 33 ¾ in. high

Garbe was born in Dalston, London, the son of Gustave Garbe, a carver of ivory and manufacturer of tortoiseshell fancy goods, to whom he was apprenticed. He later studied at the Central School of Art and at the Royal Academy Schools. He began exhibiting at the Royal Academy in 1908. He taught sculpture at the Central School 1901-29 and was Professor of Sculpture at the Royal College of Art, 1929-46. He was elected an Academician at the Royal Academy of Arts in 1929 and full Academician in 1936. In 1929 he was elected a Fellow of the Royal British Society of Sculptors, while in 1938 he was elected as a Master of the Art Workers' Guild. He is represented in many major public collections including the Tate Gallery and Victoria & Albert Museum.

A large bronze version of this piece was sold by the Fine Art Society in 2015

Helios, the Greek god of the sun is depicted rising into the sky with his radiant crown about his head. He is leaving his lover, the goddess Rhodos, after whom the island of Rhodes is named.