Fred Roe - Portrait of the Artist's Wife

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Description

FRED ROE(1864-1947)
Portrait of the Artist’s Wife
Signed and dated l.l.: Fred Roe / 88Red ChalkFramed
40.5 by 26 cm., 16 by 10 ¼ in.(frame size 58 by 44 cm., 23 by 17 ¼ in.)
Provenance:By descent in the artist’s family to Charles Pelham Lee, the artist’s great nephew.
Alfred Frederic “Fred” Roe was born in Cambridge, the son of Robert Henry Roe, print-seller, painter and engraver. He studied at the Heatherley School of Art under John Seymour Lucas and first exhibited at the Royal Academy in 1877. He had a successful career as a painter of historical genre subjects, portraits, character sketches and as an illustrator. A large collection of his character sketches of are in the collection of the National Portrait Gallery.
In 1890 he married Letitia Mabel Lee, the sitter for the present portrait.