

# SARAH COLEGRAVE FINE ART

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## Orchids

SOLD

REF: 1006

Artist: LOUIS FAIRFAX MUCKLEY

Height: 90.17 cm (35 1/2") Width: 59.69 cm (23 1/2")

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## Short Description

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Louis Fairfax Muckley was born in Worcestershire and studied at Birmingham School of Art where his fellow classmates and friends were the artists Frank Richards and Arthur Gasken. A leading illustrator, etcher, painter and designer, he came into contact with the influential art of William Morris and while still a student he illustrated his first major book: R. D. Blackmore's *Fringila* (1885). In the 1890's Muckley was commissioned for numerous illustrations from leading periodicals such as *The Graphic* and the *Illustrated London News*. He was also a founding designer for *The Quest* (the short-lived periodical of the Birmingham Guild of Handicraft) and *The Quiver*. Perhaps his finest achievement was his illustrative work for the Kelmscott Press, Spenser's *Faerie Queen*, which was published in 1897 and considered a masterpiece of late Pre-Raphaelite art.

## More Information

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Year	1906
Medium	Watercolour and bodycolour
Country	United Kingdom
Signed	Signed and dated 1906