VAN HAM

Lot 58



Auction	Decorative Art
Date	18.05.2022, ca. 14:43
Preview	13.05.2022 - 10:00:00 bis 16.05.2022 - 18:00:00

FIGURINE OF THE ADMONISHING DEATH.

South Germany. Date: Around 1700. Technique: Carved boxwood. Mounted on wooden pedestal (added later). Description: On a flat, oval plinth a male skeleton in a beggar's clothing. The tattered cloak is loosely wrapped around the emaciated body and he wears a wide-brimmed hat on his curly hair. The face is almost nothing but the skull and with his left index finger he points down towards the ground as a reminder of death. Measurement: Height (incl. pedestal) 14,5cm, width 9cm.

The virtuously carved figurine of Death as a beggar, demonstrates the highest level of craftsmanship. At the same time, however, it is a haunting reminder of mortality.

Estimate: 6.500 € - 7.500 €; Hammer: 7.500 €