

## Lot 1582



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### SIX RARE MINIATURES OF MUSICIANS.

Origin: India.

Date: 19th century.

Maker/Designer: Company-School.

Technique: Pigments on very thin mica sheet. Supported by yellowish cardboard, framed behind glass.

Measurement: Each 10 x 7cm, frames 25 x 21cm.

Condition A/B.

The unusual painting surface consists of extremely thin, transparent slices of mica, a stone belonging to the phyllosilicate family. The painting was built up like a reverse painting on glass in layers from the finest details to the basic colors covering the figure. In each case only the figures are painted, the background is a cardboard.

Provenance:

-Formerly The O'Shea Gallery, London.

Compare:

-The collection of the Victoria & Albert Museum in London includes mica paintings of the Company-School. According to one estimate, there are no more than 7,000 of these existing in the world.

Estimate: 50 € - 150 €; Hammer: 200 €

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