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DOROTHEA SHARP RBA - "A DAY AT THE BEACH" - REF 2505



PRICE: £24,900

Children play in the water on a sunny, most probably Cornish beach, delightfully observed by highly acclaimed modern British artist - Dorothea Sharp.

Born in Dartford, Kent; it was not until the age of twenty-one that Dorothea Sharp seriously took up painting. The death of an uncle, who left her one hundred pounds, enabled her to study at the art school run by C. E. Johnson, RI, in Richmond, Surrey. She then attended the Regent Street Polytechnic where she was greatly encouraged by Sir George Clausen and Sir David Murray, visiting critics to the Polytechnic Sketch Club. It was in Paris that Sharp achieved her complete artistic development. There she studied under Castaluchio. It was the work of Claude Monet, however, that was to have a profound and lasting effect on her art, resulting in the highly impressionistic and spontaneous style that she was to adopt for the rest of her life.

Dorothea Sharp exhibited regularly throughout her career at many institutions including the Royal Academy, the Royal Society of British Artist, the Royal Institute of Oil Painters and the Society of Women Artists of which she acted as President for four years. She held her first one-woman show at the Connell Gallery in 1933, which proved a great success and was constantly attended by admiring visitors.

Provenance: Private collection Toronto, Canada. Previously with Richardson Bros. Gallery, Winnipeg.

Artist & Painting: Dorothea Sharp RBA, ROI, VPSWA, British (1874-1955) – "A Day at the Beach" – oil on canvas circa 1935. Signed lower right.

Dimensions of Image: 16" wide, 12" high; 41cm wide, 31cm high.

Restorations: The painting has been cleaned and is displayed in a new modern British style frame.

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