



**19TH CENTURY FRENCH PATINATED  
BRONZE STATUE "LA CRUCHE  
CASSEE" SIGNED M. MOREAU**

**\$3,400**

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Decorate a lady's office or a library shelf with this fine antiquity. Crafted in France circa 1880, this elegant bronze sculpture titled "La Cruche Cassée" (The Broken Pitcher), features a young beauty sited on a trunk form bench, and looking down at the broken pitcher. The statue has a titled plaque on the front base and is signed in the side M. Moreau, Hors Concours; it is further stamped by the foundry with "Medaille d' Honneur". The bronze figure is in excellent condition, with wonderful details, and adorns a rich patinated bronze finish. Mathurin Moreau (1822-1912), was one of the most important French sculptor in the academic style. Born in Dijon, he was the son of sculptor Jean-Baptiste-Louis-Joseph Moreau and his siblings included sculptors Hippolyte and Auguste Moreau. At age 21, he won the second Prize of Rome in 1842, and first exhibited in the 1848 Salon. Moreau finally received a medal of honor from the Salon in 1897. He was made mayor of the 19th arrondissement of Paris, and in 1912 had a street named in his honor. He died in Paris in 1912. Listed in the Benezit. 7" Diameter 19.5"H