

19TH CENTURY FRENCH TERRACOTTA SCULPTURE COMPOSITION SIGNED CHARLES CORDIER

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Decorate a lady's office with this elegant antique figure. Sculpted in France, circa 1870, the terracotta composition depicts two young female beauties looking at two love birds. Wonderful details throughout. The sculpture is in excellent condition commensurate with age and use, and adorns a rich patinated clay finish. Signed in the back, Cordier, and listed in the Benezit (see last picture). Charles Henri Joseph Cordier (1827-1905) was a French sculptor of ethnographic subjects. Cordier was a student of the Beaux-Arts in Paris and entered the workshop of Rude in 1847. He traveled extensively in Africa. He is known for his polychrome sculptures in the later realist phase of Orientalism. Charles Cordier (Best known for his orientalist statues, Charles Cordier has produced many portraits such as those of Admiral Courbet (1885 and 1886) or of General Fleury (1863) and some religious statues. It also took part in the major projects of the Second Empire (Louvre Palace, Garnier opera house, the town hall ...) 12" Diameter 16.75" H

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