

19TH CENTURY PARIS STREET SCENE OIL ON PANEL IN GILTWOOD FRAME SIGNED L. LEJE

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Painted in France circa 1890, this evocative oil on panel depicts a bustling Paris boulevard at dusk. Executed in the manner of Édouard Cortès and Eugene Galien-Laloue, the scene captures the Belle Époque spirit with lively detail: elegantly dressed Parisians strolling along shopfronts, a flower vendor pushing her cart, and a horse-drawn omnibus pulled by four white horses dominating the cobblestoned avenue. The monumental columns of La Madeleine rise in the background, anchoring the cityscape in one of Paris's most recognizable vistas. The artist, signed L. Leje lower left, employs a warm autumnal palette with quick, impressionistic brushwork that conveys both atmosphere and movement. Glowing storefront windows reflect across rain-dampened pavements, heightening the impression of a Paris evening alive with activity. Presented in its original carved giltwood frame with foliate and ribbon motifs, the work is in excellent condition with a rich, aged patina to both painting and frame, consistent with age and use. Dimensions: 26 inches wide x 22.25 inches high

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