

MID-CENTURY FRENCH VALLAURIS CERAMIC AND OAK COFFEE TABLE SIGNED JG PICARD

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Bring sculptural character and artistic presence to a living room or den with this striking mid-century French coffee table from Vallauris, crafted circa 1950.
The rectangular top is framed in solid oak with a warm, time-softened patina, centering a hand-painted ceramic panel signed J.G. Picard. The composition features a stylized bird and foliate motif rendered in earthy tones of ochre, chocolate, and burnt sienna, surrounded by a border of richly glazed tiles in varied textures and hues. The subtle variation in glaze and tone gives the surface depth and movement, highlighting the artisanal nature of Vallauris pottery.
The top is raised on a hand-forged wrought iron trestle base, defined by a twisted stretcher and splayed legs ending in wide, hand-hammered feet. The ironwork provides a strong architectural counterpoint to the organic ceramic surface, balancing refinement with rustic craftsmanship.
Signed works from Vallauris makers such as J.G. Picard reflect the region's celebrated mid-century ceramic movement, where traditional techniques met modernist design, producing highly decorative yet functional works of art.
The table is in excellent condition commensurate with age and use, with a beautifully aged oak frame and well-preserved ceramic surface.
A versatile and expressive piece, it works beautifully as a central coffee table, in a sitting area, or as a statement accent in a curated interior.
Dimensions: 50.25"W x 26.75"D x 20.75"H

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