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LOT 660

A diamond set oval portrait miniature pendant in the Georgian style, painted with a portrait of a lady wearing a necklace, after Cosway, the rose cut diamond set surround with a heart shaped glazed hair locket compartment and tied bow surmount, the back with a gilt metal and seed pearl set glazed locket compartment enclosing a spray motif, length 7.2cm.

Estimate: £2,000 - £3,000

Condition Report

660. The glazing to the heart shaped locket to the top is very scratched. Some variation of cut to the rose cut diamonds. Some of these diamonds have a few internal inclusions, some of which are surface reaching. One or two diamonds may have been replaced in the past. Two diamonds lacking. Where one diamond is missing at 9 o'clock, the silver setting when viewed from the side is split through. The suspension at the top has been restored in the past, with loss of definition to the decoration to the back of the heart. There is some wear to the gilt metal surround of the glazed hair locket at the back. Approximately a third of the gilding is lacking. All seed pearls are present to the oval surround of the locket, there is some deterioration to the seed pearl work within the glazing at the back, which is also rather dirty. The portrait miniature is perhaps very slightly faded but is generally in good condition. The glazing to the front of the miniature has probably been replaced. We are suggesting the portrait miniature is in the style of and inspired by the quality of Cosway's work, we are not offering this miniature as having been painted by Cosway.

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