



## Fine Netsuke & Sagemono (NE0422)

Fri, 22nd Apr 2022

### Viewing:

You may view objects in this auction in our gallery from 19 April to 22 April 2022. We are open Monday to Friday from 10 AM to 6 PM CET, as well as by appointment. On the day of the sale, the viewing will be open until 1 PM CET.

## Lot 220

**Starting price:** €1500

**Estimate:** €3000

### ¥ A FINE IVORY NETSUKE OF GATTEN WITH A LUNAR HARE

Unsigned

Japan, Edo (Tokyo), mid-19<sup>th</sup> century, Edo period (1615-1868)

A fine carving depicting the moon goddess dressed in long flowing robes, wearing a billowing shawl over her shoulders, and holding a fan in her right hand, a small lunar hare beside her with large eyes inlaid in coral, the back with two himotoshi.

HEIGHT 5.5 cm

Condition: Good condition, appealingly worn, expected age cracks, few minuscule nicks, fine honey-yellow patina.

**Provenance:** The Gabor Wilhelm Collection, Paris.

### Literature comparison:

A similar netsuke by Masatoshi is illustrated in Schwarz, Karl M. (2001) Netsuke Subjects Addendum, pp. 8-9, no. A7.

### Auction comparison:

Compare a closely related ivory netsuke by Masatoshi at Zacke, Fine Japanese Art, 3 December 2021, Vienna, lot 240 (sold for 2,781 EUR).

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