



Fine Japanese Art (JAP0522)

Fri, 27th May 2022

Lot 179

Starting price: €1500

Estimate: €3000

¥ AN EARLY IVORY NETSUKE OF A SAGE AND BOY

Japan, 18th century, Edo period (1615-1868)

The rather large netsuke finely carved in openwork as a smiling sage with long, neatly incised hair and beard, wearing long flowing robes, a young boy seated on a drum below him, both holding gnarled branches bearing blossoms inlaid with coral and mother-of-pearl, two asymmetrical himotoshi to the sage's back.

HEIGHT 6 cm

Condition: Very good condition, appealingly worn, expected age cracks, traces of use. Fine, smooth, honey-yellow patina.

Provenance: The Gabor Wilhelm Collection, Paris.

Trade Certificate: The trade certificate for the sale of this lot within the EU has been granted (permit number AT 22-B-0289).