



Fine Netsuke & Sagemono (NE0421)

Fri, 16th Apr 2021

Lot 70

Starting price: €1000

Estimate: €2000

Υ DORAKU: AN IVORY NETSUKE OF A DANCING DRUNKARD

By Doraku, signed Doraku 道乐

Japan, Osaka, early 19th century, Edo period (1615-1868)

Standing in a dynamic posture with one foot raised, holding a small striking stick in one hand and an emptied upturned double gourd in the other, his expression revealing his advanced state of inebriation. The wide-apart eyes, lustrous staining, and use of sumi-e (ink) are typical of Osaka school netsuke. The reverse with two asymmetrical himotoshi and the signature DORAKU within an oval reserve.

HEIGHT 7 cm

Condition: Good condition with minor surface wear, few natural age cracks, one chip to the collar.

Provenance: German private collection.