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MATARÉ, EWALD 1887 Aachen - 1965 Büderich

Title: Bischof Altfrid und Äbtissin Elisabeth.

Subtitle: Mosaic medallion. Design for the portal of the Essen Cathedral Treasury.

Date: 1955/56.

Technique: Bronze, forged. Measurement: 60 x 47,5 x 3,5cm.

Notation: Monogrammed lower centre: Artist's signet.

The proceeds will go to SOS Children's Villages Worldwide.

Provenance:

- Museum Kurhaus Kleve

Literature:

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In the upper third of the portal of the Essen Cathedral Treasury is a standing oval medallion in mosaic inlay depicting the figures of Bishop Altfried and Abbess Gerswid. Altfried, later Bishop of Hildesheim, founded a ladies' convent on his estate Astnidi (=Essen) around 850, which was presided over by his sister Gerswid as its first abbess. The Essen Cathedral was later built on the site of the founding building.

A design in wrought iron for the medallion of the entrance portal was in the Margrit Loh Collection, Moyland near Kleve/Zug, Switzerland, until 2014 and in the Museum Kurhaus Kleve - Ewald Mataré Collection from 2014-2022. In addition, a plaster model is known from a photograph of the artist. In the artist's estate, an overdrawn photo on a 1:1 scale has been preserved as well as a sketch sheet with three lattice gates and heads (1954, pen on paper, 32 x 22,8



cm).		
Estimate: 6.000 € - 8.000 €; Hammer: 6.000 €		