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THE ABSOLUTELY STUNNING LANG FAMILY CORPUS FIGURE. WORB, SWITZERLAND. CIRCA 1350.

THIS STUNNING CHRIST FIGURE RETAINS ALMOST ALL ITS ORIGINAL POLYCHROME DECORATION AND IS A VERY ATMOSPHERIC SCULPTURE.

Lang Family Corpus Figure.

Switzerland, circa 1350.



This rare Swiss corpus figure belonged to the Lang family of Worb, near Bern, Switzerland.

It used to hang for many generations in the chapel of the Lang family house in Worb. It was an important family possession, so much so that it was moved during World War 1 to the cellar so it wasn't damaged.

In 1977 Christopher Herbert Lang died. He was a rare book seller/publisher in Bern and it passed to his son Peter Lang.

Peter Lang established the well known and highly successful global publishing company in the 1970's and he moved permanently to the UK in 1977, bringing the corpus figure with him. He hung it in his office as he believed it brought him very good luck.

Peter Lang died in 2001, leaving both his substantial fortune and his publishing company to a charity for needy children that he had established, I was told as he had no children of his own.

He left the corpus figure to Dr Adrian Huxley, a close friend and member of the board of trustees running the charity. Dr Adrian Huxley died in 2014.

Dr Adrian Huxley sold the corpus figure in 2010 with the above information to a private english collector.

STOCK NO 1823.

SOLD

Dimensions:

Height: 48 inches (121.9 cms)

Width: 30 inches (76.2 cms)

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