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Abel Grimmer (Antwerp 1572 – 1619)

A village andscape with two elegant riders with a hawk in the foreground, 1608

Oil on panel, circular Diameter: 19 cm 71/2 in.

Signed and dated

Provenance

Private collection, Germany, until 2003; With Johnny Van Haeften Limited, London, 2003; Private collection, Guernsey, 2003 to the present day.

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This charming circular panel by Abel Grimmer depicts a Flemish village scene with an elegant couple out hawking in the foreground. His painting technique has a certain naivety and charm about it with simple uncomplicated buildings, the leaves on the trees dotted on without the definition of artists like Brueghel, but his paintings display an idiosyncratic and immediately recognisable consistency. This one is dated 1608, at the height of his powers.