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A Portrait Of Muzaffar Al-Din Shah Qajar, Persia, Signed By The Royal Painter Musawwir Al-Mulk

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Height: 68 cm (26.8")

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Width: 58.5 cm (23")

Depth: 7.5 cm (3")

Description

A fine late 19th/early 20th century oil on canvas portrait of Muzaffar Al-Din Shah , in a painted oval, signed in nasta'liq script lower left Musawwir Al-Mulk,

Condition: Very Good

Dimensions: H: 68cm, W: 58.5cm, D: 7.5cm
Canvas only: H: 51cm, W: 41cm, D: 1.5cm

The best-known painter by the name of Mehdi is recorded as a portrait painter of the Qajar period working in oil, water-colours and siyah qalam. From his recorded work it is understood that he was the Chief Painter (naqqash-bashi) during the later part of the reign of Nasir al-Din Shah and was the Royal painter (naqqash-makhsus) under Muzaffar al-Din Shah, from whom he received the title Musawwir al-Mulk in AH 1314/AD 1896-97. His recorded works are dated between AH 1309/AD 1891-92 and AH 1322/AD 1904-05, many in the Gulistan Palace in Tehran. (See M. A. Karimzadeh Tabrizi, The Lives & Art of Old Painters of Iran, vol. 3, London 1991, pp. 1247-51).

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