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Description

MARGARETHA ZAIDA FFOLLIOTT(Irish 1858-1939)
Portrait of Female Artist Seated at her Easle
Signed with monogram l.r.WatercolourFramed
60 by 47 cm., 23 ½ by 18 ½ in.(frame size 78 by 65 cm., 30 ¾ by 25 ½ in.)
Margaretha Zaida ffolliott was born at her family home of Hollybrook House, Ballinafad, County Sligo, Ireland. She was the oldest of the five daughters of Colonel John ffolliott (1824-1894) and his wife Grace Charlotte ffolliott, nee Philips (1827-1909). In the 1880s she moved to London to study art in Chelsea. In 1891 she is recorded as living in Sloane Gardens House, Lower Sloane Street. Built for the Ladies' Associated Dwelling Company, Sloane Gardens House was founded in 1888 and housed 150 independent professional women in self-sufficient accommodation. It is now the home of the Sloane Club. From 1925 she was living in Kensington with her unmarried sister Maria Henrietta ffolliott. Margaretha never married.
Her father and two of her sisters were artists who exhibited at various London venues in the 1880s and 1890s. It is therefore likely that the present watercolour of a female artist seated at her easel is a portrait of one of the sisters, either Agnes or Anna.