



The Scottish Pictures Auction

Fri, 24th Sep 2021

Viewing:

Tuesday 21 - 9am-5pm
Wednesday 22 - 9am-5pm
Thursday 23 - 9am-5pm
Friday 24 - 9am-2pm

Lot 2029

Estimate: £1000 - £2000 + Fees

MOSQUE, KAIT BEY, CAIRO, A WATERCOLOUR BY JOHN KEPPIE

JOHN KEPPIE RSA FRIBA JP (SCOTTISH 1862 - 1945),
MOSQUE, KAIT BEY, CAIRO
watercolour on paper, signed and titled, further signed and
titled labels verso

image size 50cm x 33cm, overall size 73cm x 56cm

Framed and under glass.

Handwritten artist's label verso with an address of 257 West
George Street, Glasgow.

Label verso: Scottish Artists' Benevolent Association, 1915 -
presented by John Keppie in aid of a special fund raised by
the Association for the relief of artists owing to the war, March
1915.

Note: Born Glasgow, studied at Glasgow University and the
Ecole des Beaux-Arts, Paris. Partner of the firm of Honeyman
and Keppie. A design by one of his junior staff, Charles
Rennie Mackintosh, famously won the contract to build the
Glasgow School of Art. Among the many buildings designed
by him (Keppie) are those of the Glasgow Herald Mitchell
Street buildings and those of the Daily Record. His
watercolours are particularly effective and show the influence
of Arthur Melville and Keppie was a prolific exhibitor at the
Royal Scottish Academy. Maurice Greiffenhagen's celebrated
portrait of John Keppie was lost in the fire in The Mackintosh
Building of Glasgow School of Art on 23th May 2014.
Keppie's watercolours rarely appear at auction and when they
do, few if any in recent years have matched the fine condition
of "Mosque, Kait Bey, Cairo".