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An Exceptional Austrian Silver-gilt Viennese Enamel Nef

REF: 10037

Height: 110.5 cm (43.5") Width: 66.5 cm (26.2")

£350,000



Vienna Circa 1880

Apparently unmarked; almost certainly made by Hermann Böhm
Vienna, Austria Circa 1880.

Hermann Böhm was one of the best and most well-known representatives of Neo-Renaissance gold-smithing art. He created precious objects made in 16th-century style from enamel, rock crystal, semi-precious stones, pearls and niello. He was inspired by 16th century *Kunstkammer* objects in the Kaiser's collections. In 1866, he founded a "Gold- and Silverware Factory".

A characteristic feature of Böhm's fine enamel works is the meticulous, detailed painting of the

reverse sides of objects in delicate colours. Such exquisite works of art were produced in Vienna from 1870/71 onwards and attracted considerable attention when presented at the world exhibitions there in 1872 and 1878.