

MATERNITE COUCHEE, 1923 Edition 7/8 • 6.75 x 13.75 x 7" Ref. #75



DEBORAH POETESSE, 1940 Edition 5/8 • 17.25 x 6.75 x 11.5" Ref. #237



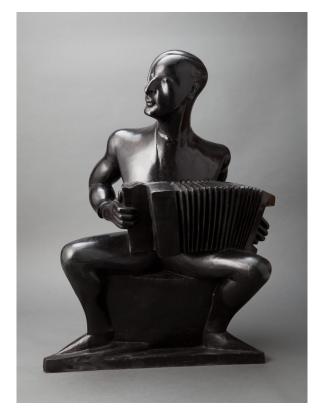
NU, 1933 Edition 2/8 • 15.75 x 10.25 x 9.75" Ref. #187



MADONE, 1946 13.5 x 15.5 x 5.5" • Ref. #289 (FW)

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DATES: 18 July through 6 September 2015 OPENING RECEPTION: 18 July 2015, 3:00 to 6:00 PM The public is invited to attend.



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Figurative sculptor Chana Orloff was among the many Jewish artists who lived in Paris in the early twentieth century. She was also a member of the pioneer art community in Palestine. Orloff's preferred mediums were wood, stone, marble, bronze, and cement. Her subjects included the painters Pablo Picasso, Henri Matisse, and Amedeo Modigliani. Orloff also sculpted mothers with children and animals. Orloff was born in 1888 in Ukraine and her family immigrated to Palestine in 1905 where she worked as a seamstress in Jaffa. Orloff was offered a job teaching dressmaking and traveled to Paris for certification. Once in Paris in 1910, she discovered a passion for art and studied sculpture at the Russian Academy in Montparnasse and became friendly with other significant modern artists. In 1913, heavily influenced by Cubism, Orloff took part in the Salon d'Automne in Paris. Over the next few years, Orloff matured quickly as a sculptor and her work was displayed at important exhibitions in Paris, Amsterdam, and New York. In 1916, Orloff married Ary Justman, a young Warsaw-born writer and poet. Together they published a book of Justman's poetry accompanied by images of Orloff's first sculptures. Justman died of the post-World War I influenza epidemic shortly after his marriage to Orloff, who then devoted herself entirely to art and to raising their son. By the 1920s, Orloff's reputation was already well established, especially for portraits. In the 1920's and 30's her sculptures were exhibited in the United States, Tel Aviv, and Paris. Orloff fled Paris for Switzerland with her son when the Germans invaded Paris during World War II. In 1945, Orloff returned to her home to find the sculptures in her studio had

been destroyed. During the 1950's the artist's works were exhibited numerous times throughout Israel, the United States, and Europe. In 1968, Orloff died while working to organize a retrospective exhibition at the Tel Aviv Museum and is buried in Israel.

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LITERATURE: Feliz Marcilhac, Chana Orloff, Les Editions de l'Amateur, Paris, 1991.

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COVER: OISEAU , 1924 Edition 5/8 • 39.75 x 14.25 x 17.25' Ref. #92

ABOVE: SIRENE, 1959 Edition 2/8 • 15.25 x 16.25 x 10.2 Ref. # 399



MOI ET MON FILS, 1927 Edition 1/8 • 25.25 x 13 x 10" Ref. #130







VIERGE, JEANNE HEBUTERNE, 1914 Edition 6/8 • 21.25 x 4.25 x 3.5" Ref. #9



VENUS, 1965 Edition 2/8 • 18 x 9.75 x 9.75" Ref. #454



RUTH ET NOEMI, 1928 Edition 7/8 • 23.5 x 13.25 x 6.25" Ref. #141



SUSY, 1930 Edition 3/8 • 28.75 x 9 x 9" Ref. #161