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Japanese Bronze Figure and Alabaster Paperweight, 1920s

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Description

A charming and unusual 1920s desk accessory, formed as an alabaster paperweight surmounted by a finely cast bronze figure of a Japanese man gently petting his goat. Combining the cool, luminous surface of alabaster with the warmth and detail of patinated bronze, this appealing object has both sculptural presence and practical purpose.

The bronze group captures a quiet and affectionate moment, with the standing figure and animal arranged in an engaging, naturalistic composition. The interaction between man and goat lends the piece a sense of narrative and character, while the carefully modelled bronze surface provides contrast against the smooth, softly veined alabaster base.

Made during the 1920s, the paperweight reflects the period's continued appreciation for Japanese-inspired decorative subjects and for small objects that combine utility with artistic interest. It would originally have brought a distinctive note of refinement and personality to a writing desk, library table, or office.

Today, it remains an attractive decorative object in its own right: ideal for a desk, study, bookshelf, or cabinet display. A delightful choice for collectors of early 20th-century bronzes, Japanese decorative subjects, desk accessories, or unusual paperweights.

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