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An exceptional and most charming French 19th century Louis XVI st. Belle Époque period patinated bronze and ormolu statue signed Houdon. The statue is raised by a wonderfully executed ground like base with beautiful intricately detailed love birds and charming flowers. Above is the exceptional winged Cupid draped in a flowing garment with a crown of finely detailed flowers in his hair while aiming his bow.

Jean-Antoine Houdon (1741-1828) A prominent French Neoclassical sculptor born in Versailles. Houdon is famous for his portrait busts and statues of philosophers, inventors and political figures. In 1785 he sculpted Benjamin Franklin upon his invitation to Mount Vernon where Franklin modeled for him. He was made a Chevalier de la Légion d'honneur in 1804.





