



**A Russian Silver Gilt Tankard, Moscow c.1745  
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Cylindrical, on three ball feet, the body and hinged cover with four cartouches engraved with scene of Samson and Delilah: the body depicting Samson departing to the cities of the Philistines, his wedding banquet, and Delilah cutting Samson's locks as he sleeps; the cover depicting Samson seduced by Delilah, each flanked by scrolling foliate or stiff-leaf border, the scroll handle with split flared thumb-piece, marked under base, also with indistinct scratch weight.

This exquisite piece was previously sold at Christies New York, in 2013, for \$43,750

Height: 17.5cm

Width: (including handle): 20cm

Weight: 759g

<b>Material and Technique</b>	Silver Gilt, Engraved
<b>Origin</b>	Russian
<b>Period</b>	18th Century
<b>Condition</b>	Very good
<b>Hallmark</b>	Moscow circa 1745. Makers mark Cyrillic 'BMO', indistinct assaymaster's mark.

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