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Planisphaerium Copernicanum Sive Systema Universi Totius Creati Ex Hypothesi Copernicana In Plano Exhibitum

Stock#: 70458 **Map Maker:** Cellarius

Date: 1660 (1708)
Place: Amsterdam
Color: Hand Colored

Condition: VG+

Size: 20×17 inches

Price: \$ 6,400.00



Description:

Striking example of the Copernican model of the Solar System, from the 1708 Valk & Schenk edition of Andreas Cellariu's *Harmonia Macrocosmica seu Atlas Universalis et Novus*.

The map depicts a Copernican astronomical chart in the form of the concentric circles, demonstrating the apparent movements of the planets around the sun and the moon around the Earth.

Andreas Cellarius *Harmonia Macrocosmica* (first published in 1660) is generally regarded as one of the most spectacular cosmographical atlases that was published in the second half of the seventeenth century. The atlas was published in 1660 and 1661 by the Amsterdam publisher Johannes Janssonius (1588-1664), as a cosmographical supplement to his *Atlas Novus*. Andreas Cellarius had already started working on this atlas before 1647 and intended it to be a historical introduction for a two-volume treatise on cosmography but the second part was never published.

The plates of his *Harmonia Macrocosmica* were reprinted (without the Latin commentary) in 1708 by the Amsterdam publishers Gerard Valk (1651-1726) and Peter Schenk (1660-1711).

Detailed Condition:



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Old Color, recently retouched.