

**Robert Ryland Kearfott (American, 1890-1969)**

*The Piper*, 1923

Oil

Gift of Dr. Conrad Stone, 1983.021

Virginia illustrator, sculptor, and painter Robert Ryland Kearfott was born in Martinsville, Virginia. In his paintings, Kearfott was known for representing people both realistically and with character. He was well known and earned such high praise as, "Kearfott is noted for his fidelity to his subjects. He has never had a portrait commission rejected due to lack of likeness to the sitter."