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ANTIQUE 19thC JAPANESE SOLID SILVER MOUNTED SHIBAYAMA FAN ON STAND c.1890 £8,595.00

Antique late-19th Century Japanese Meiji period solid silver mounted shibayama fan on stand. Of traditional Japanese fan-shape, with a central gold lacquer roundel inlaid in mother of pearl and coral with a three beautiful geisha dancing, playing koto and flute in an interior rendered in black hiramaki-e (Japanese lacquerwork, gold decoration in low, or "flat," relief), togidashi (In this technique, the design is painted in lacquer, and gold or silver powder is sprinkled over it), oki-birame (for this kind of ground decoration, small, irregularly shaped flakes of sheet gold or silver are used) on a kinji ground (In this kind of ground decoration, a thick layer of fine gold or silver grains is dusted onto a freshly lacquered surface and, when dry, covered with a clear lacquer). The central panel surrounded by