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Outside the Restaurant on a
summer evening, Paris 1963,
Woman artist Marie Lucie
Valtat oil on canvas

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA1072475

Date of manufacture: 1960

Dimensions

Height = 38 cm (15.0")

Width = 46 cm (18.1")

Depth = 1 cm (0.4")

Description

Marie-Lucie Nessi was born in Paris in 1910 to a Swiss father and a German mother. Aged 16 year, she was able to convince her parents to allow her to attend drawing classes. After nearly two years of studies, Marie-Lucie completed her training in the ateliers of Billoul and André Lhote, at the Académie de La Grande Chaumière and at the Ecole des Beaux-Arts. With her fellow students she spent many evenings in the company of Jacques Héliou, Kisling or Foujita, whom they used to meet in the cafés of Montparnasse. She married Jean Valtat, the son of the Fauve artist Louis Valtat, but although her father-in-law encouraged her to paint, Marie-Lucie Valtat hardly found time, as she had to assist her husband, now Doctor Jean Valtat, as well as raise their children. Marie Lucie's kindness was not rewarded: her husband left her for his mistress and abandoned her and the kids. Obligated to earn a living, Marie-Lucie Nessi started to produce ceramics, hoping to turn her artistic talents to profit. From 1958, thanks to the assistance of her mother-in-law Suzanne, who remained firmly attached to her, Nessi abandoned ceramics and at last devoted herself entirely to painting. All that's ...

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