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Gunnar JOHNSSON
 (1917-2007) Swedish School
 c1955 Oil Painting

Price

GBP 395

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Date of manufacture: 1950

Dimensions

Height = 45 cm (17.7")

Width = 54 cm (21.3")

Description

Gunnar Johnsson (1917–2007) ****Swedish School**** A charming and whimsical portrait, likely painted in the early 1950s during Gunnar Johnsson's time in Spain, where the country's distinctive light and atmosphere became a lasting source of inspiration. Gunnar Johnsson was renowned for his ability to convey movement and vitality through expressive, semi-abstract oil paintings. His work occupied a unique space between naturalism and abstraction, earning widespread critical acclaim and establishing him as one of Sweden's most promising post-war artists. Following his debut exhibition at Gummesons Gallery in Stockholm in 1951, Swedish critics predicted a remarkable future. One reviewer described the exhibition as "a first-class surprise" and "a brilliant prelude for the young painter," while another praised Johnsson's distinctive style, noting that his "naturalistic weight and firmness bordering on the abstract sets him apart from most others." Johnsson exhibited extensively throughout Sweden and internationally, particularly in Spain and France. His many solo exhibitions included Gummesons (1951), SDS Hallen (1952), Galerie Bleue (1965, 1966 and 1976), Maria Gallery (1968 a...

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