

SA443362

'Alaistair' Baron Hens Henning Voight 'Nude Study'

Price

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Dimensions

Height = 80 cm (31.5")

Width = 65 cm (25.6")

Depth = 5 cm (2.0")

Description

'Alaistair' Baron Hans Henning Voight, German 1887-1969, Lithograph, beautifully framed. Hans Henning Otto Harry Baron von Voigt (20 October 1887 – 30 October 1969), best known by his nickname Alastair, was a German artist, composer, dancer, mime, poet, singer and translator. Mysterious, flamboyant, enigmatic and attractive to many people, Baron Hans Henning Voight was born of German nobility in Karlsruhe. In his youth he joined the circus and learned mime. Shortly after leaving school he studied philosophy at Marburg University where he met the writer Boris Pasternak. He was self-taught as an artist, and he was also was a proficient dancer and pianist. He died in Munich in 1969. His drawings, which are often decadent in spirit and have the look of Art Deco, are influenced somewhat by the drawings of the English artist Aubrey Beardsley, who illustrated works by Oscar Wilde, as Alastair would later do. His 'serpentine line' often depicts characters whose outlines are lightly drawn with the main areas filled in with 'broken dotted lines'. His drawings were in black and white ink, sometimes with one colour added. Alastair's illustrations show a strong influence from the...

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