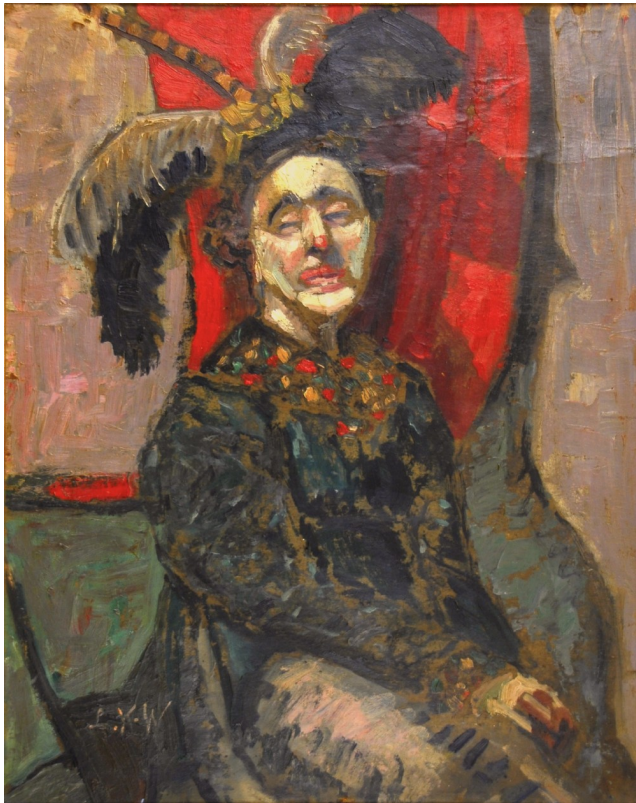


SA760708

Portrait of 'Whimsical Walker' by Lucy Kemp-Welch (1869-1958)

Price

GBP 950

| USD \$1,286 | EUR 1,112

Item Reference: SA760708**Date of manufacture: 1910**

Dimensions

Height = 50.8 cm (20.0")

Width = 40.6 cm (16.0")

Description

Portrait of 'Whimsical Walker' aka Thomas Dawson Walker (1851-1934) by Lucy Kemp-Welch (1869-1958) Oil on canvas Size: 20 x 16 ins. Initial "L.K.W." lower left Lucy Kemp-Welch was a circus enthusiast and followed Lord George Sanger's Circus (1854-1911) around for a number of years. 'Whimsical Walker' was one of the best known pantomime artistes and circus performers of the late 19th early 20th century. He was also a clown and an acrobat. There is quite a lot written about him. ' Mention the name "Whimsical Walker" and many different versions of who he was will be presented. This is the definitive outline: Whimsical Walker toured the world 3 times, during the fourteen years he was with Hengler's Circus; and played 21 seasons in pantomime at the Drury Lane Theatre. He came into the world on 21st July 1851, as Thomas Henry (Dawson) Walker - the son of the landlady of the inn The March of Intellect, in Hull, and Robert Stanley Walker, an advance man for Cooks' Circus. At the age of eight he was performing in Pablo Fanque's circus. He learnt all aspects of the business, and became an equestrian; tumbler; ropewalker; clown and all-round adept circus performer. He was...

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