

SA893343

Figures on a balcony,
overlooking the sea, magical
Austrian surrealist expressionist
oil on canvas

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA893343****Date of manufacture: 1950**

Dimensions

Height = 38 cm (15.0")

Width = 46 cm (18.1")

Depth = 1 cm (0.4")

Description

A magical, expressionist and almost surrealist scene by Austrian Sylvain Vigny (1903-1970). It depicts a host of elegant figures on a balcony overlooking the sea. Vigny arrived in France in 1929, aged 27. After turbulent, adventurous years in Vienna and Paris - with probably a fair share of drama and trauma- the artist settled in Nice on the Riviera, where the work presented here was painted around 1950. Sylvain Vigny notably exhibited in New York with Douthitt Gallery in 1938, and at the mythical Galerie Bernheim Jeune, Paris, in 1948. Retrospectives have been held at the Château-Musée de Cagnes-sur-Mer in 1988 and at the Petit Palais in Geneva 1989. Mattia Melzi, who curated the exhibition "Sylvain Vigny, rediscovering a talent" in Milan et Washington in March 2014, writes about the artist: « Vigny's works, with its strong brush strokes, are charged with pathos and mystery; in his landscapes we find seated figures on the seaside, groups of men walking with apparent no direction as a hint of uncertainty towards the future and a particular yet disturbing choice of colours. Dark skies and mud coloured seas are a surrealistic representation of reality, which takes u...

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