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A painter on the beach by the sea, circa 1948 Austrian magical surrealist expressionist oil on canvas

Price

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Item Reference: SA920716

Date of manufacture: 1940

Dimensions

Height = 33 cm (13.0")

Width = 41 cm (16.1")

Depth = 1 cm (0.4")

Description

Austrian born artist Sylvain Vigny (1904-1970) had a very personal style of painting which you will recognise anywhere once you seen his work. Plagued by melancholy, one of his favourite themes was the sea, which he probably discovered upon moving to the Riviera in the late 1920s. Often, Vigny depicts statuesque figures looking out on the water...as probably the artist did often himself. Here, we see a painting within a painting, as we observe a painter with his easel working on the beach. Vigny had 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, where the work presented here was painted in the late 1940s. 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,...

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