

SA930335

Agnes Cleve, Portrait Of Jan Bolinder - Vintage Oil Painting

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA930335****Date of manufacture: 1940**

Dimensions

Height = 84 cm (33.1")

Width = 69 cm (27.2")

Depth = 5 cm (2.0")

Description

This majestic portrait by Swedish artist Agnes Cleve (1876-1951) depicts Jan Bolinder wearing a blue shirt, grey jacket and red tie. He's chiselled and exudes confidence. Cleve was a fascinating artist and one of Sweden's first modernists. Together with her husband, she associated with several artistic luminaries including Wassily Kandinsky (1866-1944). Her expressive style was often too extreme for her homeland and it's only in recent decades that her works have received the appropriate level of acclaim - with several selling for over £30,000 at auction. It's been suggested that gender was also a factor for her lack of recognition. This particular piece is a good example of her skill with portraits. She draws upon the sharp distinct forms of her abstracts to portray a man akin to a modernist sculpture. His chiselled features rest upon straight lines laid down with purpose. His semi-geometric figure oozes power and permanency. While his expression suggests a gentler side, an introversion. It's genius. Cleve studied at Carl Wilhemson's painting school and also at the Académie de La Palette in Paris. She's represented at the Nationalmuseum in Stockholm. Signed/dated and...

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