

SA970556

A party on the beach, 1940
Austrian French coastal scene
oil on board

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA970556

Date of manufacture: 1940

Dimensions

Height = 38 cm (15.0")

Width = 55 cm (21.7")

Depth = 1 cm (0.4")

Description

A particularly beautiful and early work by one of my favorite artists, Austrian born Sylvain Vigny (1904-1970) 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, taking solace in the Mediterranean sea This is where the work presented here was painted, in circa 1940. 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 us in parall...

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