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Daybreak

Phantasmagoria

Date: c. 1930

Technique: Oil on wood panel

Dimensions: 69 x 44 cm



Signature: Signed and dated at the base of the bust: Salvador Dali 1923

Inscriptions: Inscribed at the base of the bust: Salvador Dali 1923 / a Gala Diaconova

Location: J. Nicholson, Beverly Hills, (California)



Provenance

- Paul Éluard, Paris
- LeRay W. Berdeau, Palm Beach (Florida)
- Auctioned at Christie's, New York, May 12th, 1993

Observations

This painting is entitled "Daybreak" since it may correspond to the painting Dalí presented at the exhibition held at the Burlington Galleries, London, from June 11th to July 4th, 1936, catalogue number 61. Although this work was dated by Dalí in the year 1923, we have no doubt whatsoever that it is a work from a later period and was probably painted in 1930.

Exhibitions

- 1936, London, New Burlington Galleries, *International Surrealist Exhibition*, 11/06/1936 04/07/1936, cat. no. 61
- 1958, Houston, Contemporary Art Museum, *The Disquieting Muse Surrealism*, 09/01/1958 16/02/1958, no reference
- 1998, Liverpool, Tate Gallery Liverpool, Salvador Dalí: a mythology, 21/10/1998 31/01/1999, cat. no. 5
- 2004, Venezia, Palazzo Grassi, *Dalí*, 12/09/2004 16/01/2005, cat. no. 73

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- Roland Penrose, 80 años de surrealismo : 1900 1981, Polígrafa, Barcelona, 1981, p. 65 (indirect image)
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