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Untitled

Lugubrious Planarian (unfinished)

Date: c.1979

Technique: Oil on canvas

Dimensions: 100 x 99.5 cm



Signature: Unsigned and undated

Location: Fundació Gala-Salvador Dalí, Figueres. Dalí bequest



Provenance

• Artist's collection

Observations

This work is known by its French title, "Planaire lugubre". Planaria are platyhelminths (flatworms) and are often found in fresh water. Our research indicates that Dalí's interest in these invertebrates dates from the 1960s. (Salvador Dalí, 'Picasso, Rusiñol y Dalí', "El Noticiero Universal", Barcelona, 6/6/1962)

Bibliography

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