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Trilogy of the Desert. Mirage

Date:	c. 1946
Technique:	Oil on canvas
Dimensions:	35.6 x 60 cm
Signature:	Signed lower center: DALI
Location:	National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne



Provenance

- William Lighfoot Schultz, New York
- Auctioned at Christie's, London, December 10th, 1998
- Private collection
- Auctioned at Christie's, London, February 6th, 2006
- Private collection, Switzerland

Observations

Mirage is one of the three paintings that Dalí made to publicize the new Leigh "Desert Flower" perfume for Shulton, Inc.

Exhibitions

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