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The Tower of Enigmas
Project for the Cover of "Vogue" Magazine

Date: 1971

Technique: Oil on copper

Dimensions: 35 x 27 cm

Signature: Signed and dated upper center: GALA / Salvador Dalí / de Figueras / 1971

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

- Artist's collection

Observations

This work was used for the cover of the the special publication marking the fiftieth anniversary of the magazine "Vogue" in France. As we can read in the magazine's summary: "Dedicated to Gala cover drawn by Salvador Dalí, with a photo of Marilyn Monroe by Philippe Halsman - Magnum, "Mao-iphied" by Dalí" (image 2). In 1981 the painting was altered and the characters adorning the pedestal and the central horizontal object were added. (Robert Descharnes, "Dalí, l'oeuvre et l'homme". Lausanne, Edita, 1984, p. 431).

*Although the catalogue of the exhibition 'Dalí Grafista' states that the exhibition was held from March 19 to November 1, 2003, we know that the works were on show for the period of time detailed in the section on exhibitions.

Exhibitions

- 1996, Santiago de Chile, Museo Nacional de Bellas Artes, El Genio de Salvador Dalí, 04/11/1996 - 15/01/1997, cat. no. 17
- 2003, Púbol, Casa-Museu Castell Gala-Dalí, Dalí Grafista*, 19/03/2003 - 31/12/2003, p. 44
- 2007, Osaka, Suntory Museum, Dalí multifaceted : centenary exhibition, 08/03/2007 - 06/05/2007, cat. no. 35
- 2014, Moscow, Moscow Museum of Modern Art, Dalí News. Salvador Dalí and Media, 30/10/2014 - 01/02/2015, no reference
- 2015, Shanghai, K11 Art Foundation, Media - Dalí, 05/11/2015 - 15/02/2016, no reference

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- El Siglo de Dalí, Caja Salamanca y Soria, Fundació Gala-Salvador Dalí, Salamanca, [Figueres], 1995, p. 84-85
- El Genio de Salvador Dalí, Museo Nacional de Bellas Artes, Santiago de Chile, 1996, p. 50
- Montse Aguer i Teixidor, Dalí grafista, Fundació Gala-Salvador Dalí, Figueres, 2003, p. 44
- Les Essentiels de l'art Dalí, Ludion, Amsterdam, 2003, p. 398
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- Media - Dalí, K11 Art Foundation, Shanghai Culture Publishing House, Shanghai, 2015, p. 206
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