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Aarno Ahtaja (1898-1978) - Lively Street In Helsinki, 1946 / Eloisa Katunäkymä Helsingistä 1946



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Signature : Aarno Ahtaja (1898-1978)

Period : 20th century

Condition : Parfait état

Material : Oil painting

Description
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Aarno AHTAJA (1898-1978) - Busy Street Scene in Helsinki, 1946 This superb oil on canvas signed and dated "A. Ahtaja 46" captures the unique atmosphere of Finland in the aftermath of the Second World War. Painted in 1946, a year marked by post-war reconstruction and upheaval, this work offers a realistic yet nostalgic look at Finnish urban life. Aarno Ahtaja depicts a busy street in the snow, probably in Helsinki, where passersby move about in a city still marked by the difficulties of the time. The subtle palette blends cool and bright tones, warmed by the human presence, giving the scene a melancholic poetry. His pictorial style, close to Nordic Impressionism, subtly captures this transitional period, which simultaneously combines a certain winter harshness with a breath of hope. The

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painting's frame bears several handwritten inscriptions in Finnish, reinforcing the authenticity of the work and its provenance: "Katukuva," which means "Street View," confirming that the scene depicts an urban landscape. "Luonnos," translated as "Sketch," suggesting that this work could be a study made on the spot. "Suomen," which means "Finland," thus emphasizing the painting's geographical location. The mention of the year 1946 gives it historical significance: it situates the work at a crucial moment when Finland was recovering from the trials of war, thus offering a poignant representation of daily life at that time. Dimensions: 46 x 55.5 cm Signature: Bottom right "A. Ahtaja 46" Aarno AHTAJA (1898-1978) -