



René Toussaint (1902 - Spa - 1972) - 'dunes Of The North Sea - The Zwin'



2 400 EUR

Signature : René Toussaint, 1902 - Spa - 1972, Peintre belge,

Signature : signée en bas à gauche « R Toussaint »

Period : 20th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Oil painting on wood

Width : 72 cm

Height : 63 cm

Depth : 6 cm

Description

René Toussaint 1902 - Spa - 1972 Belgian Painter 'Belgian Coast - Le Zwin' Signature: signed lower left 'R Toussaint' Medium: oil on panel Dimensions: image size 50 x 60 cm, frame size 63 x 72 cm Biography: René Toussaint was a Belgian painter celebrated for his evocative landscapes of the Ardennes, particularly around Spa. Born in 1902, he remained deeply rooted in his hometown, where he lived from 1911 onwards at the Source de la Sauvenière, a location that not only served as his residence but also housed his studio and permanent exhibition space. A student of the accomplished artist Vital Keuller in the 1930s, Toussaint developed a highly personal artistic style, independent of the prevailing pictorial movements of his era. His works capture the changing moods of nature,

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from the serene beauty of sunlit forests to the brooding atmosphere of mist-covered hills, revealing a profound sensitivity to light and seasonality. Despite his artistic dedication, Toussaint had little interest in the commercial side of his work. It is said that he never personally sold a single painting, entrusting this responsibility entirely to his wife. His reluctance to engage in sales perhaps reflects his deep commitment to artistic expression over market trends. Toussaint's contributions to Belgian art have been recognized in key reference works, including *Belgian Visual Artists from the 19th to the 21st Century* by Paul Piron and J. Goijen's *Dictionary of Artists*. Though he passed away in Spa in 1972, his legacy endures through his timeless depictions of landscape, offering a window into the soul of the Belgian countryside.