

Hans Thoma (1839-1924), S. Anton Patenkirchen, 1895



140 EUR

Signature: Hans Thoma

Period: 19th century

Condition: Bon état

Material : Paper

Length: 50 cm

Height: 40 cm

Description

Hans Thoma (1839 Bernau - 1924 Karlsruhe), S. Anton

Patenkirchen, 1895. Algraph on strong wove paper, published by Breitkopf und Härtel in Leipzig as 'Zeitgenössisches Kunstblatt Nr. 107', 36 cm x 45.5 cm (image), 40 cm x 50 cm (sheet size), signed, dated and dated at lower right. Verso with publisher's label.

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landscape design follows the aesthetics of the clair-obscur woodcut technique.

Developed at the beginning of the 16th century, this technique consists solely

of light and dark tones. Since the sky, mountains,

hills, village, and meadow

do not differ in color, the landscape comes

together to create an overall

impression. Within this impression, the band of

snow-covered mountains stands

out. In the area below, the house, church tower,

and grove of black trees are

more prominent. Only on closer inspection do we

notice the hiker walking along

the white-highlighted path towards the house and

the church, passing through

the shaded area of the black grove. As he walks

through the landscape, he

returns to his place within it, where his home

forms a connection with the

church as a spiritual home. About the artist

After failing to complete his apprenticeship as

a lithographer, painter and clockmaker, Hans

Thoma trained as an autodidact

painter. In 1859 he won a scholarship to the

Karlsruhe Art School, where he

became a student of Wilhelm Schirmer and

Ludwig Des Coudres. After graduating

in 1866, Thoma spent time in Basel and

Düsseldorf. He met Otto Scholderer, with

whom he traveled to Paris in 1868. There he was

impressed by the art of Gustave

Courbet and the Barbizon School. After his works

were rejected by the Karlsruhe

Kunstverein, Thoma moved to Munich in 1870,

where he was close to the Leibl

circle. Wilhelm Trüber worked for a time in

Thoma's studio in Munich. In 1874

he made the first of a series of trips to Italy with

the painter Albert Lang,

where he met Hans von Marées and Adolph von

Hildebrand and became friends with

Arnold Böcklin, whose art made a lasting

impression on Thoma. On his return to Munich, Thoma became a student of Cella Berteneder, whom he married in 1877. Thoma traveled to England in 1879 at the invitation of art collector Charles Minoprio. Over the years, Minoprio acquired more than 60 oil paintings by Thoma and organized the first exhibition of his art abroad in Liverpool in 1884. Thoma had lived in Frankfurt since 1878. The following year, the Frankfurter Kunstverein organized the first solo exhibition of his work. After a trip to the Netherlands, Thoma moved to Kronberg im Taunus in 1899, where the Kronberg painters' colony was based. That same year he was appointed professor at the Karlsruhe Art School and director of the Karlsruhe Kunsthalle. In 1901, together with Wilhelm Süs, Hans Thoma founded the Grand Ducal Majolica Manufactory in Karlsruhe, for which he supplied designs from then on.

Thoma was now at the height of his artistic fame. The 1909 edition of Meyer's Großes Konversations-Lexikon noted that Thoma had become one of the German people's favorite painters. On the occasion of his 80th birthday in 1919, Ernst Oppler and Lovis Corinth organized a large celebration. After Thoma's death, the Berlin National Gallery dedicated a major exhibition to him in 1922, and the Basel Kunsthalle in 1924.