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Spanish School (20th Century) - The Genius Of Painting (version Of A Painting By Livius Mehus)



650 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Oil painting

Description

Oil on canvas. Original canvas. The figure of Livio Mehus, a wandering and flamboyant soul, emerges from the darkness of Spanish oblivion like a whisper of genius, evoking the tormented shadows of Salvator Rosa and the lyrical depths of Pietro Testa. This tireless artist, who traversed Italy from eternal Rome to the mists of Lombardy, distilled in his oil paintings and frescoes a universal wisdom that captivated the Medici, making him the guardian of their artistic splendor. In this work, which vibrates like a visual treatise on wisdom and nostalgia, the genius of painting appears crowned with laurels before the specter of Titian's Martyrdom of Saint Peter, while Mehus himself, through a self-portrait with a penetrating gaze, presents himself as the supreme interlocutor between the

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glory of Roman drawing and the sensuality of Venetian color. This work, imbued with Baroque erudition, unites the legacy of Antiquity with modern myths in a play of shadow and light, where the artist not only paints history but becomes its protagonist and living memory. - Image dimensions without frame: 70 x 82 cm