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Johannes Klinka -- Studies Of The Male Nude -- Early 20th Century



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Signature : Johannes Klinka

Period : 20th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Paper

Length : 26 cm

Height : 37 cm

Description

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An academic drawing depicting a male model in an expressive pose, his torso inclined, one hand resting on his head and the other arm extended. Around the large central figure in red chalk, three studies in black pencil explore the model from different angles and revisit the head and upper body in greater detail. This sheet may be understood as an early twentieth-century reinterpretation of the tradition of drawing in naturally coloured chalks, cultivated since the Renaissance and notably exemplified by the *trois crayons* technique. Here, the interplay is concentrated on red and black, without apparent white heightening: the tone of the paper contributes directly to the light and modelling. The drawing's realism rests on

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observation without idealisation. The folds of the torso, the tension in the arms and the placement of the legs give the body a tangible, living presence. Hatching follows its volumes, while deeper shadows emphasise the energy of the pose. The composition also has a strong decorative dimension. The repetition of the model, changes of scale and diagonals of the limbs create an almost choreographic rhythm. Sinuous and angular contours recall aspects of Jugendstil: anatomical study becomes an exploration of the expressive organisation of the sheet itself. A particularly lively drawing, combining the discipline of academic observation with considerable graphic freedom. Signed. Medium: red chalk and black pencil on paper. Drawing dimensions: 37 × 26 cm. Framed dimensions: 57 × 45 cm. Presented with a broad light-coloured mount in a dark frame with a gilt line.