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## New Enthusiasm



20 000 EUR

Signature : GIANFRANCO CAMPESTRINI

Period : 20th century

Condition : En l'etat

Material : Oil painting

### Description

Title: New Enthusiasm  
Period: 1920s-1930s  
Medium: Oil on canvas  
Dimensions: 160 × 100 cm (artwork); 180 × 130 cm (with period frame)  
Inscriptions: Signed and titled on the reverse by the artist  
Condition: Excellent.  
Canvas, stretcher, and paint layer intact  
Frame: Original period frame in molded and gilded wood, with an arched upper profile  
**CRITICAL ANALYSIS AND HISTORICAL-ARTISTIC SIGNIFICANCES**  
Subject and iconography: This work is a masterpiece with a powerful visual and narrative impact. A group of young people, perched on the rooftops of early 20th-century Milan, lean forward enthusiastically, waving handkerchiefs toward the sky to greet the passage of a squadron of biplanes. The theme fits perfectly into the cultural climate of the era,

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celebrating the myth of flight, modernity, and the fascination with great aeronautical achievements.

**Composition and Style:** The painting's power lies in its complex and dynamic "bottom-up" (\*sotto in su\*) perspective, which accentuates the verticality of the movement. The paint application is rich and vibrant with light, while the background offers a evocative urban view of historic Milan, bathed in a characteristic golden atmosphere veiled in mist.

**A rarity in the artist's oeuvre:** Far removed from the painter's more common small-format works (primarily landscapes and sketches), this composition stands out as a work of great significance, intended for official exhibitions or competitions, as evidenced by its monumental dimensions (160 × 100 cm) and the high complexity of its figurative execution.