

DOROTHEA SHARP RBA - "THE YOUNG GOATHERD" - REF 2296



PRICE: £49,000

A young girl walking, on a bright summers day, with a small herd of goats on sunny cliff tops, delightfully observed and painted in the impressionist style of one of the best known painters of the modern British era - Dorothea Sharp.

Born in Dartford, Kent; it was not until the age of twenty-one that Dorothea Sharp seriously took up painting. The death of an uncle, who left her one hundred pounds, enabled her to study at the art school run by C. E. Johnson, RI, in Richmond, Surrey. She then attended the Regent Street Polytechnic where she was greatly encouraged by Sir George Clausen and Sir David Murray, visiting critics to the Polytechnic Sketch Club. It was in Paris that Sharp achieved her complete artistic development. There she studied under Castaluchio. It was the work of Claude Monet, however, that was to have a profound and lasting effect on her art, resulting in the highly impressionistic and spontaneous style that she was to adopt for the rest of her life.

Dorothea Sharp exhibited regularly throughout her career at many institutions including the Royal Academy, the Royal Society of British Artist, the Royal Institute of Oil Painters and the Society of Women Artists of which she acted as President for four years. She held her first one-woman show at the Connell Gallery in 1933, which proved a great success and was constantly attended by admiring visitors.

Provenance: Private collection Co.Cork, Ireland

Artist & Painting: Dorothea Sharp RBA, ROI, VPSWA, British (1874-1955) – "The Young Goatherd" – oil on canvas, circa 1930. Signed lower left.

Dimensions of Image: 30" wide, 24" high; 76cm wide, 61cm high.

Restorations: The painting has been cleaned, relined and is displayed in a new modern British style frame.

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