



Frederik Marinus Kruseman

(Dutch, 12.07.1816 - 25.05.1882)

A Winter Landscape

Signed lower left FMKruseman fc 1850

Oil on panel

64.5 x 88.5 cm / 25.4 x 34.8 inch

PROVENANCE

Private collection, England;Christie's London, November 21, 1997, lot 33;Private collection, The Netherlands;Leslie Smith Gallery, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

EXHIBITED

2014-2015: Kruseman: Kunstbroeders uit de Romantiek, Museum Jan Cunen - Oss, The Netherlands

LITERATURE

M. van Heeteren, Frederik Marinus Kruseman, Painter of Pleasing Landscapes Schiedam 1998, p. 173, cat.no. 64

BIOGRAPHY

(*Frederik Marinus Kruseman*)

F.M. Kruseman is one of the most famous landscape painters of his time. In 1833, at the age of 17, Kruseman appeared for the first time as an artist when he participated in the Exhibition of Living Masters in The Hague. As it was essential for a landscape painter to gain new impressions of his surroundings and beyond, he travelled a lot and rarely stayed at the same address for more than a few years. True to the romantic tradition of the time, Kruseman combined Dutch winter scenes with ruins, castles and churches from Belgium without hesitation, but also specific towers from Dutch cities like Deventer and Maastricht found a place in one of his paintings. The Belgian water tower of Saint-Josse-ten-Node with its onion shaped dome returned in many of his Dutch winter landscapes. After all, the goal of the Romantics was to create an atmospheric impression that in itself was true, but not necessarily a reproduction of reality. Bearing in mind the adage of his mentor B.C. Koekkoek, Kruseman adhered his entire life to the principle of creating "pretty lies." Suffering from a cerebral hemorrhage, Kruseman died on May 25th, 1882 in the suburb of Sint Gillis, Brussels.

EXHIBITIONS

2015 *Kruseman. Kunstbroeders uit de Romantiek*, April 18th 2015 t/m August 2nd 2015, Stedelijk Museum Alkmaar, Alkmaar, Nederland
2014-2015 *Kruseman. Kunstbroeders uit de Romantiek*, December 16th 2014 t/m March 15th 2015, Museum Jan Cunen, Oss, Nederland
2011 *Betoverende landschappen, Hollandse meesters uit de negentiende eeuw*, 20 Mar. - 19 Jun. 2011, Museum Jan Cunen, Oss, The Netherlands