

KARL&FABER

Oskar Kokoschka

Lot 605

Frau Annie Knize



Low estimate :	€ 7,000
High estimate :	€ 10,000
VAT on hammer price :	7 %
Buyers premium incl. VAT :	27 %
VAT over buyers premium :	7 %

Artist

Oskar Kokoschka

Additional description

Bleistift auf Velin, auf Karton kaschiert. (1933/34). Ca. 49 x 55 cm. Signiert unten rechts.

Period

(1886 Pöchlarn - Montreux 1980)

Technique

Arbeiten auf Papier

Provenance

Galerie Welz, Salzburg; Hauswedell & Nolte, Hamburg 11.1.1988, Los 677; Sammlung/Nachlass Serge Sabarsky, New York, bei Vorgenanntem erworben; Sammlung/Stiftung Vally Sabarsky, New York.

Mrs Annie Wolff-Knize (1905-1979) is captured here frontally by Kokoschka. Sitting casually, she has rested her right arm on an armchair and is looking directly at the person in front of her. Her husband Fritz, owner of the menswear shop "Knize & Comp." in Vienna, was known for his elegant menswear and perfumes. Kokoschka and the Knize couple had a personal relationship, which is how the portrait commission came about. The portrait in oil was painted between 1931-35 when Kokoschka was in Prague after fleeing from Germany.

The painting accompanying the present drawing is now part of the Kai Feng Foundation in China (WVZ 1934/7) and shows Mrs Knize in a three-quarter view, seated slightly to one side with her arm raised.

Rathenau 101

Exhibition: Oskar Kokoschka. Die frühen Jahre, Josef Albers Museum / Quadrat Bottrop, a.o. 1988-1994;

Gustav Klimt. 1862-1918, Nassau County Museum of Art, Roslyn, NY, 1989, no illus.;

Ernst Ludwig Kirchner, Paul Klee & Oskar Kokoschka. Watercolours and Drawings. Tel Aviv Museum of Art, Tel Aviv, 1993/94;

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