

Oil painting on fiberboard by Johan Markussen (Narssaq, West Greenland, 1906-1994), 45 x 73 cm



Provenance: Johan Markussen, Narssaq, 1971 (so labeled on reverse, but probably not in his hand)

Markussen's paintings are usually ~40 x 60 cm on fiberboard and appear to be mostly unsigned (Larsen Egede, 2003, p. 52). He produced a total of more than then 300 paintings, of which only 51 were sold by February, 1985 (quoted from Markussen by Larsen Egede, p. 39). This is a very early example, before his rate of production increased significantly and his style changed in later years.

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