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LOT 47

Elmyr de Hory - Homage to Henri Matisse with Head and Shoulders
Portrait of a Youth, pen and ink, signed and dedicated to Mark and dated
London '74, 40cm x 29cm, within a black and silver frame. Note: by
family repute 'Mark' is Mark Forgy, friend of de Hory and biographer.

Estimate: £70 - £100

Condition Report

Light age toning throughout except to strips along the top edge and corners where tape has masked the staining from the reverse. Small stain near the signature. Otherwise in fair condition. Some browning around edge. Mount and backing are not archival, and the cut edge of the mount is browning. Some detritus trapped beneath glass but this has not caused staining to the paper. Frame with scuffs and scratches. Unexamined out of the frame.

Provenance

According to the current vendor. This was purchased by their father, probably in the early 1970s but certainly before 1976 when the vendor remembers moving house. The vendor's father was a chartered accountant and one of his client's was also a family friend. At the time, his friend's daughter, Claire, was going out with Mark Forgy and got the paintings through that connection, having been taken with the story of de Hory.

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