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Allegory of an American Christmas

Date: c. 1943

Technique: Oil on board

Dimensions: 66 x 55.5 cm

Signature: Signed and dated lower right: [Gala Salvador] Dali 1934



Location:	The Museum of Modern Art, Toyama (Japan)
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Provenance

• Tamada Project Coorporation, Tokyo

Observations

Although this work is signed and dated 1934, the iconographic elements correspond to those of paintings from 1943. It is for this reason that we have it the later date. What is more, it was used by Esquire magazine to illustrate the article "Three Christmas Allegories (designed and painted by Salvador Dalí)" in December 1943.

Exhibitions

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- 1997, Los Angeles, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Exiles + emigrés : the flights of european artists from Hitler, 23/02/1997 11/04/1997, cat. no. 28
- 2006, Ehime, The Museum of Art, *Dali's universe and masterpieces of surreallists*, 10/02/2006 26/03/2006, cat. no. 6
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