

Figures on a Raft

Sold



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Height: 13 cm (5.1")

Width: 22 cm (8.7")

Description

Ink and wash on paper
Circa. 1940-42

Sheet size : Length 22 cm., Height 13 cm.,
Floated In an oak frame
Frame Length 40 cm., Height 33 cm.,

RELATED TO : Keith Vaughan, Soldier Writing Home, 1941

During the war, while stationed in Wiltshire and later in Yorkshire, Vaughan was unable to paint large-scale subjects or make oil paintings. His work of this period was largely confined to sketchbooks and small-scale works on paper. Vaughan recorded the daily activities of his army comrades. Here a young soldier sits, just by his back pack, traveling (as the title indicates), on a raft. The soldier's demeanour is nonchalant, reclined yet holding his head straight as he takes a nap. Vaughan has imbued the figure with a certain classical nobility, the face almost a mask, framed with dark shadows.