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Théo Tobiasse

A selection of 17 pieces

Graphic works and decorative art



Théo Tobiasse

NICE ANTIQUES

Private selection · Proposed prices include VAT

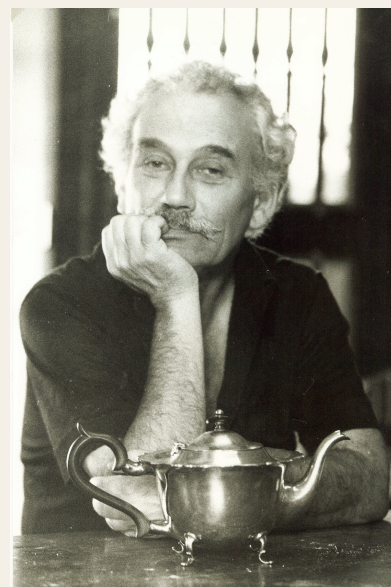
Théo Tobiasse

1927 - 2012

Born Tobias Eidesas on 26 April 1927 in Jaffa, then part of Mandatory Palestine, Théo Tobiasse grew up in a Jewish family from Kaunas. He moved to Paris in 1931 and survived the Occupation in hiding with his family. Exile, memory and survival would remain enduring sources for his artistic language.

After the Liberation, he worked as a graphic designer for Draeger and created tapestry cartoons, stage sets and window displays for Hermès. He became a French citizen in 1950 and settled in Nice, drawn by the Mediterranean light. Awards received in 1961 enabled him to devote himself fully to art.

A painter, printmaker, sculptor, ceramicist and stained-glass artist, Tobiasse later divided his work between Saint-Paul-de-Vence and New York. His figurative art brings together childhood memories, biblical narratives, women, beloved cities and journeys. He died on 3 November 2012 in Cagnes-sur-Mer.



Théo Tobiasse in Saint-Paul-de-Vence, 1984

MILESTONES

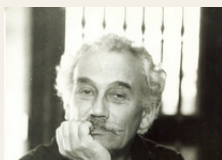
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| 1950 | Settled in Nice |
| 1961 | Mediterranean Young Painting Prize and Dorothy Gould Prize |
| 1968 | First solo exhibition in New York |
| 1976 | Main studio in Saint-Paul-de-Vence |
| 1984 | Established a studio in Manhattan |
| 2012 | Died in Cagnes-sur-Mer |

“Life is a celebration.”

A phrase associated with the artist and his world of light.

Major achievements

A multifaceted body of work, from intimate works on paper to monumental ensembles.



1961

Recognition

Two awards marked his emergence onto the international art scene.

[1]



1983 · 1992

Two retrospectives

Nice and the Château-Musée in Cagnes-sur-Mer celebrated his career.

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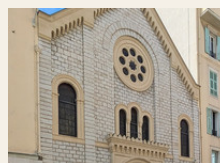


1989

Saint-Sauveur Chapel

In Le Cannet, mosaics, stained glass, a triptych and sculpture compose Life Is a Celebration.

[3]



1993

The Song of the Prophets

The Great Synagogue of Nice houses twelve monumental stained-glass windows.

[4]



MONUMENTAL WORK

Myriam, the Venus

A monumental 2.60-metre bronze at the entrance to Saint-Paul-de-Vence.

[5]



ART EDITIONS

The book and the print

Artist's books and prints extend his dialogue between text and image.

[6]

AN IMMEDIATELY RECOGNISABLE LANGUAGE

Memory and exile · The Bible and maternal figures · Paris, Jerusalem, New York and Venice · oil, gouache, acrylic, collage, lithography, carborundum, ceramics, stained glass and bronze.

The selection

17 pieces · Nice and the French Riviera



TT-0004

Signed and numbered lithograph

Decorative art

€800



TT-0026

Venice and the Child Prophet

Collectibles

€1 100



TT-0027

Between Myrrh and Cinnamon Blossom

Decorative art

€900



TT-0030

Numbered lithograph 69/99

Decorative art

€800



TT-0031

Numbered lithograph 133/149

Decorative art

€800



TT-0077

Numbered lithograph 49/105

Decorative art

€800



TT-0078

Framed engraving

Decorative art

€800



TT-0137

The Horse That Made the Child Laugh

Decorative art

€1 300



TT-0106

Sing to Me the Song of Zion

Decorative art

€600



TT-0059

The Fruits of the Players

Collectibles

€800



TT-0082

Woman with a Lyre

Collectibles

€885



TT-0071

Fairground Lights

Decorative art

€850



TT-0087

La Bohème

Decorative art

€1 000



TT-0088

Venus and Harlequin

Decorative art

€1 000



TT-0089

Venice Is a World Filled with Wonders

Decorative art

€1 000



TT-0019

The Prophet Elijah, Seder Evening

Collectibles

€740



TT-0097

The Fruits and the Time of the Dance

Print

€690

Signed and numbered lithograph



DETAILS

TECHNIQUE

Lithograph

SIGNATURE

Signed

EDITION

240/250

SUPPORT

Canvas on stretcher

FRAME

Wooden frame

MEASUREMENTS PROVIDED

79.5 × 29.5 cm

CONDITION

Very good condition

OVERVIEW

A multicoloured figurative composition presented in a wooden frame.

PROPOSED PRICE · VAT INCLUDED

€800

Further documents and information available on request.

Offer subject to availability and verification before sale.

Venice and the Child Prophet



DETAILS

TECHNIQUE

Lithograph

TITLE

Venice and the Child Prophet

EDITION

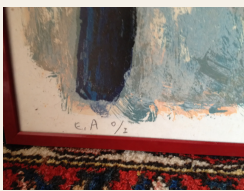
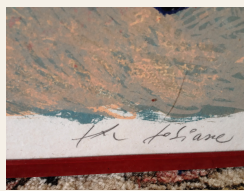
Artist's proof EA 0/1

DIMENSIONS

70 x 100 cm

CONDITION

Very good condition



OVERVIEW

A large lithograph entitled Venice and the Child Prophet, offered as an artist's proof.

PROPOSED PRICE · VAT INCLUDED

€1 100

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Between Myrrh and Cinnamon Blossom



DETAILS

TECHNIQUE

Lithograph

SIGNATURE

Countersigned lower right

EDITION

64/200

DIMENSIONS

69 x 50 cm including frame

FRAME

Quality frame

CONDITION

New condition



OVERVIEW

A framed lithograph entitled Between Myrrh and Cinnamon Blossom.

PROPOSED PRICE · VAT INCLUDED

€900

Further documents and information available on request.

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Numbered lithograph 69/99



DETAILS

TECHNIQUE

Lithograph

EDITION

69/99

DIMENSIONS

34 x 26 cm

FRAME

Black frame

CONDITION

Very good condition

OVERVIEW

A small-format lithograph presented in a black frame.

PROPOSED PRICE · VAT INCLUDED

€800

Numbered lithograph 133/149

DETAILS

TECHNIQUE

Lithograph

EDITION

133/149

ARTWORK SIZE

22 x 18 cm

FRAMED SIZE

51 x 37 cm

CONDITION

Very good condition



OVERVIEW

A figurative lithograph presented in a restrained frame.

PROPOSED PRICE · VAT INCLUDED

€800

Numbered lithograph 49/105

DETAILS

TECHNIQUE

Lithograph

EDITION

49/105

ARTWORK SIZE

19.5 x 15 cm

FRAMED SIZE

32 x 29 cm

CONDITION

New condition



OVERVIEW

A framed lithograph in ochre and black tones.

PROPOSED PRICE · VAT INCLUDED

€800

Framed engraving



DETAILS

TECHNIQUE

Engraving

DIMENSIONS

23 x 28 cm

FRAME

Gold frame

CONDITION

Very good condition

OVERVIEW

A figurative engraving in black and grey, presented in a gold moulded frame.

PROPOSED PRICE · VAT INCLUDED

€800

Further documents and information available on request.

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The Horse That Made the Child Laugh

DETAILS

TECHNIQUE

Lithograph

TITLE

The Horse That Made the Child Laugh

EDITION

45/200

DIMENSIONS

76 x 97 cm

FRAME

Gilt frame

PROVENANCE

Galerie Longchamp, Nice — 27 January 1998

CONDITION

Very good condition



OVERVIEW

A framed lithograph in blue and earth tones, bringing together figures and movement in a broad composition.

PROPOSED PRICE · VAT INCLUDED

€1 300

Sing to Me the Song of Zion



DETAILS

TECHNIQUE

Print

SIGNATURE

Signed

EDITION

240/250

DATE

1970s

CONDITION

Good condition

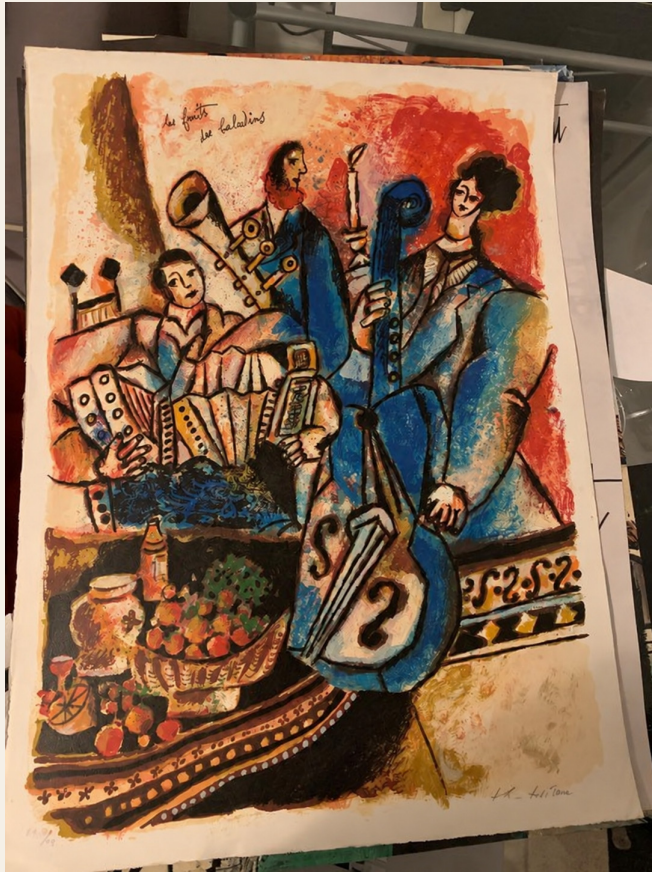
OVERVIEW

A print from the 1970s entitled Sing to Me the Song of Zion.

PROPOSED PRICE · VAT INCLUDED

€600

The Fruits of the Players



DETAILS

SUPPORT

Arches paper

TITLE

The Fruits of the Players

EDITION

Marked artist's proof 15/15

CONDITION

Very good condition

OVERVIEW

A work on Arches paper entitled The Fruits of the Players.

PROPOSED PRICE · VAT INCLUDED

€800

Woman with a Lyre



DETAILS

TECHNIQUE

Lithograph

SUPPORT

Pearlescent Japanese paper

SIGNATURE

Signed

EDITION

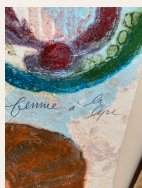
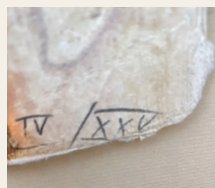
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DIMENSIONS

60 x 60 cm

CONDITION

Very good condition



OVERVIEW

A lithograph on pearlescent Japanese paper entitled Woman with a Lyre.

PROPOSED PRICE · VAT INCLUDED

€885

Fairground Lights



DETAILS

TECHNIQUE

Lithograph

SIGNATURE

Signed

EDITION

Numbered; number not specified

DIMENSIONS

74 x 93 cm

CONDITION

Very good condition



OVERVIEW

A multicoloured lithograph entitled Fairground Lights.

PROPOSED PRICE · VAT INCLUDED

€850

La Bohème

DETAILS

TECHNIQUE

Lithograph

SIGNATURE

Signed

EDITION

121/175

DIMENSIONS

60 x 80 cm

FRAME

Frame included

CONDITION

Very good condition



OVERVIEW

A lithograph entitled La Bohème, presented with its frame.

PROPOSED PRICE · VAT INCLUDED

€1 000

Venus and Harlequin



DETAILS

TECHNIQUE

Lithograph

SIGNATURE

Signed

EDITION

67/99

DIMENSIONS

60 x 80 cm

FRAME

Frame included

CONDITION

Very good condition

OVERVIEW

A lithograph entitled Venus and Harlequin, presented with its frame.

PROPOSED PRICE · VAT INCLUDED

€1 000

Further documents and information available on request.

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Venice Is a World Filled with Wonders



DETAILS

TECHNIQUE

Lithograph

SIGNATURE

Signed

EDITION

61/99

DIMENSIONS

60 x 80 cm

FRAME

Frame included

CONDITION

Very good condition



OVERVIEW

A lithograph entitled Venice Is a World Filled with Wonders, presented with its frame.

PROPOSED PRICE · VAT INCLUDED

€1 000

Further documents and information available on request.

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The Prophet Elijah, Seder Evening



DETAILS

OBJECT

Limoges porcelain plate

TITLE

The Prophet Elijah, Seder Evening

EDITION

159/4100

DIMENSIONS

Diameter 27 cm

CERTIFICATION

Yes

CONDITION

Excellent condition



OVERVIEW

A decorative Limoges porcelain plate, preserved in a display cabinet.

PROPOSED PRICE · VAT INCLUDED

€740

The Fruits and the Time of the Dance



OVERVIEW

Two figures in motion face one another against a turquoise-blue background, beside a bowl of fruit and a candle. The handwritten title echoes the rhythm of the composition. The main view suggests a possible frame; the lithograph is sold unframed.

DETAILS

TECHNIQUE	Lithograph
EDITION	35/175
SIGNATURE	In pencil, lower right
FRAME	Unframed
CONDITION	Visible marks on the margins and corners

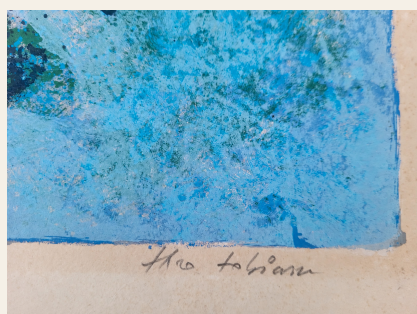
PRICE · VAT INCLUDED

€690

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A closer look at the work



Unframed sheet: full view and details of the signature, title and edition number.

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The images below document the artist's career. Views of buildings and the lithographic press provide historical and technical context.

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RECOGNITION

Théo Tobiasse in Saint-Paul-de-Vence, 1984

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TWO RETROSPECTIVES

Cagnes-sur-Mer - Château des Grimaldi, general view

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SAINT-SAUVEUR CHAPEL

Le Cannet - Saint-Sauveur Chapel, mosaic by Théo Tobiasse

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THE SONG OF THE PROPHETS

Nice Synagogue

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MYRIAM, THE VENUS

Saint-Paul-de-Vence - Venus of Saint-Paul by Théo Tobiasse

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THE BOOK AND THE PRINT

Lithographic press

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