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FINE ART

Portrait of John Bensusan-Butt

Joseph Robinson

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Height: 30.5 cm (12")

Width: 19.5 cm (7.7")

Framed Height: 50.5 cm (19.9")

Framed Width: 39 cm (15.4")

## Description

JOSEPH ROBINSON

Portrait of John Bensusan-Butt

Signed and inscribed on the reverse: John Bensusan Butt/from memory after/our holiday in St Remy/Provenance 1939/Restored for 2nd time/June 1972/J Robinson Oil on board Framed

30.5 by 19.5 cm., 12 by 7  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. (frame size 50.5 by 39 cm., 20 by 15  $\frac{1}{2}$  in.)

Joseph Robinson was an artist and theatre designer. *Waiting in the Wings*, an exhibition of his World War II studies and paintings was held at the Minories Gallery, Colchester in 2011.

The artist John Gordon Bensusan-Butt, RBA (1911-1997) was the son of a Colchester doctor, Ruth Bensusan-Butt. Lucien Pissarro was his uncle by marriage and became his teacher and adviser throughout his artistic career. He was a member of the Colchester Art Society and wrote about and curated several exhibitions devoted to the work of Lucien and Camille Pissarro. He lived at the Minories, Colchester, now the home of the Minories Museum and Art Gallery. His brother, David Bensusan-Butt, was a noted economist.