Portrait of Sir William Orpen in his Dublin Studio by Arthur Herbert Orpen

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Description

ARTHUR HERBERT ORPEN
(1830-1926)

Portrait of Sir William Orpen in his Dublin Studio

Signed, inscribed and dated: W N M Orpen / 28 July 1911 / A H Orpen
Pencil
Unframed

40 by 25 cm., 15 ¾ by 10 in.
(mount size 53.5 by 38 cm., 21 by 15 in.)

Provenance:
With Bill Thomson, Albany Gallery;
Christie’s South Kensington, 14 May 2013, lot 309.

The present work shows the artist’s son, William Newenham Montague Orpen, RA (1878-1931) standing before his easel in his Dublin studio. It was exectured by his father during a time when the younger Orpen was teaching at the Dublin Metropolitan School of Art. An accomplished amateur artist, Arthur Herbert Orpen was a solicitor and talented amateur artist. W N M Orpen’s circa 1912 portrait of his parents is in the collection of the National Gallery of Ireland.