

# SARAH COLEGRAVE FINE ART

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## The Red Van

SOLD

REF: 2076

Artist: JIM RUSSELL

Height: 45 cm (17 3/4") Width: 55 cm (21 3/4") Framed Height: 65 cm - 25 1/2"

Framed Width: 73 cm - 28 3/4"

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## Short Description

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JIM RUSSELL, ARWS(1933-2002) *The Red Van Signed*; signed and inscribed with title and the artist's address on a label on the backboard Gouache 45 by 55 cm., 17 ¾ by 21 ½ in. (frame size 65 by 73 cm., 25 ½ by 28 ¾ in.) James Allen Russell was born in Walsall, Staffordshire, the son of an architect. He attended the Royal School, Wolverhampton before studying at Birmingham College of Art (1951-5). In 1955 he was called up for National Service and spent most of his time in Singapore, where he taught English at the Army School of Education and Art at the British Council. He settled in London and worked for the Saxon Artists illustrators' agency and taught part time at St Martin's School of Art. A prolific illustrator, he most notably contributed to the BBC, Reader's Digest, Radio Times and Punch. He was a member of the Royal Society of British Artists and an Associate member of the Royal Watercolour Society. He exhibited widely, including at the Royal Academy and New English Art Club. He had numerous one-man exhibitions in London and in the provinces. Known for his London street scenes, the Guildhall Art Gallery holds his 1970 gouache, *Café, Parma Crescent, SW11*. The present work shows houses at the junction of Tyneham Road and Morrison Street, Battersea.