SAD PRESENTIMENTS OF WHAT MUST COME TO PASS (TRISTES PRESENTIMIENTOS DE LO QUE HA DE ACONTECER)

CLASIFICACIÓN: DRAWINGS

SERIE: DISASTERS OF WAR (PRINTS Y DRAWINGS, 1810-1815)



DATOS GENERALES CRONOLOGÍA UBICACIÓN

DIMENSIONES
TÉCNICA Y SOPORTE
RECONOCIMIENTO DE LA AUTORÍA DE GOYA
TITULAR
FICHA: REALIZACIÓN/REVISIÓN
INVENTARIO

INSCRIPCIONES

60 (lower left-hand corner).

HISTORIA

See Sad presentiments of what must come to pass.

1812 - 1820

The Prado National Museum. Madrid, Madrid,

Spain

133 x 186 mm

Sanguine on paper

Undisputed work

El Prado National Museum 24 Nov 2010 / 23 May 2023

424 (D.3964)

This drawing, just like the set of preparatory drawings made for the other prints in the series, formed part of the Carderera collection before arriving at the Prado Museum, where it is currently housed.

We do not know why Goya wrote the number 60 in the lower left-hand corner. It may have served as a reference number of some kind.

ANÁLISIS ARTÍSTICO

Using light traces of sanguine, Goya has traced the outline of the kneeling man, his arms flung out to his sides, who was later to appear in the first print in the Disasters of War series.

When compared with the final print, we see some differences, chiefly concerning the way in which the artist has treated the background of the scene. In the drawing, this area is much paler than in the print, and Goya has sketched out a landscape here which is practically imperceptible in the print. On the left-hand side of the drawing, in the distance, we can see some buildings which were not carried over to the print. Furthermore, in the upper left-hand corner of the drawing there is an area of brightness, a lingering shred of hope, whilst the monstrous figure that we can just make out in the print is, in the preparatory drawing, even less evident.

As for the kneeling man, Goya has covered his chest with a gown in the drawing, whilst in the print he has opted to show much of the torso laid bare, perhaps in an attempt to lend more drama to the pose.

In short, a comparison of the two works allows us to see how, in the final print, Goya set out to heighten the image's sinister, oppressive side.

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