

## Lot 2



**Auction** Modern, Post War & Contemporary

**Date** 30.11.2022, ca. 10:31

**Preview** 25.11.2022 - 10:00:00 bis  
28.11.2022 - 18:00:00

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HOFER, KARL 1878 Karlsruhe - 1955 Berlin

Title: "Frau mit sieben Männern".

Date: 1954.

Technique: Oil on canvas.

Measurement: 90 x 120.5cm.

Notation: Monogrammed and dated lower right: CH54 (in ligature).

Frame/Pedestal: Craftman's frame.

Provenance:

- Artist's estate, no. 374
- Galerie Elfriede Wirnitzer, Baden-Baden, no. 368
- Baukunst-Galerie, Cologne
- Private collection Southern Germany

Exhibitions:

- Baukunst Cologne 1975, cat. no. 149, ill.
- Galerie Raab, Berlin 1998, cat. no. 13
- Galerie Baumgartl, Munich 2001, w/o cat. no., p. 81, ill.

Literature:

- Wohlert, Karl Bernhard: Karl Hofer, Werkverzeichnis der Gemälde, vol. 3, VAN HAM Art Publications, Cologne 2007, cat. rais no. 2800(B), ill.
- Tamms, Werner: Ernte eines tragischen Lebens, in: Westdeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung (Essen), no. 65, 18.3.1975
- Blechen, Camilla (information on the exhibition of late works by Hofer in the Galerie Raab, Berlin) in: Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung, no. 259, 7.11.1998, p. 43
- Müller-Mehlis, Reinhard: Qual und Aufschrei. Das Spätwerk von Karl Hofer in München, in: Handelsblatt (Düsseldorf), no. 91, 11/12.5.2001, p. 55

- Painted in three versions one year before Hofer's death, among others with the title "Nächtliche Szene" ("Nocturnal")

Scene")

- Exceptionally dense group of figures
- Mysterious character study showing all the human facets of nocturnal calm and restlessness

In 2008, VAN HAM Art Publications published the three-volume catalogue raisonné of Karl Hofer's paintings by Karl Bernhard Wohler. In 2012, VAN HAM Art Publications founds the Karl Hofer Committee and in 2015, VAN HAM Art Publications presents the catalogue raisonné of sketchbooks.

[www.karlhofer.info](http://www.karlhofer.info).

Estimate: 50.000 € - 70.000 €

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