SELF-PORTRAIT IN THE STUDIO (AUTORRETRATO EN EL TALLER)

CLASIFICACIÓN: EASEL PAINTING. PORTRAITS

DATOS GENERALES

CRONOLOGÍA	Ca. 1790 - 1795
UBICACIÓN	Royal Academy of Fine Arts of San Fernando. Madrid, Madrid, Spain
DIMENSIONES	42 x 28 cm
TÉCNICA Y SOPORTE	Oil on canvas
RECONOCIMIENTO DE LA AUTORÍA DE GOYA	Documented work
TITULAR	Royal Academy of Fine Arts of San Fernando
FICHA: REALIZACIÓN/REVISIÓN	18 Jan 2010 / 15 Jun 2023
INVENTARIO	149 (1166)

HISTORIA

This work came from the collection of the Count of Villagonzalo.

ANÁLISIS ARTÍSTICO

This small painting is one of the few examples in which Goya depicts himself in a full-length portrait.

The great artist is seen painting a canvas, of which we can only see the rear, in front of a large window through which light is flooding in, creating an interesting visual dynamic in which the figure of the painter, looking towards the viewer, boldly stands out against the light. Goya is shown wearing breeches, a short jacket and a tall hat fitted with metal clasps into which the artist would have placed a number of candles to provide extra light when putting the finishing touches to a painting. In the words of his son, Javier de Goya: "the final touches, for the best effect in a painting, were done at night, with artificial light".

In his left hand he holds a palette, on which we can see ten colours laid out, and a number of brushes. His right hand holds the brush that he is currently using.

This work is one of those that shows us Goya's desire to evoke in his paintings "the magic of the atmosphere", a phrase that Javier Goya tells us was one of the painter's favourites.

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Museo Nacional del Prado Madrid 1928
consultant editor Fernando Álvarez de Sotomayor. From Apri to -May 1928
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Burlington Fine Arts Club London 1928
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Museo Nacional del Prado Madrid 1983
consultant editor Enrique Lafuente Ferrari. From April 19th to June 20th 1983
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Villa Favorita Lugano 1986
consultant editor Marta Medina. From June 15th to October 15th 1986
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Goya y el espíritu de la Ilustración
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