COMING OF THE VIRGIN OF THE PILLAR TO ZARAGOZA (VENIDA DE LA VIRGEN DEL PILAR A ZARAGOZA) (SKETCH)

CLASIFICACIÓN: EASEL PAINTING. RELIGIOUS

DATOS GENERALES

CRONOLOGÍA	Ca. 1782 - 1783
UBICACIÓN	Villar Mir Culture Fund, Madrid, Spain
DIMENSIONES	47 x 33 cm
TÉCNICA Y SOPORTE	Oil on canvas
RECONOCIMIENTO DE LA AUTORÍA DE GOYA	Documented work
TITULAR	Villar Mir Culture Fund
FICHA: REALIZACIÓN/REVISIÓN	14 Jan 2010 / 28 Jun 2023

HISTORIA

This sketch is the first study for the altar painting Goya was commissioned to produce in 1782 for the Church of Urrea de Gaén. The work belonged to Juan Eugenio Hartzenbusch, a painter from Madrid, and passed through various collections in Valladolid before it was acquired by its current owner. The Marquis of Lozoya published the work in 1951.

ANÁLISIS ARTÍSTICO

There are some differences between this sketch and the definitive work. The composition is reversed from left to right. The secondary figures are given more importance in the sketch; in the final work the tones used to depict them are lighter. In the middle ground, behind Saint James, we can see a figure who addresses the apostle with open arms in the form of a cross who is not present in the final painting. Lozoya links this figure to the shot man in Third of May and the Christ Praying in the Garden of the religious school Escuelas Pías de San Antón in Madrid.

This first study was executed with impulsive brushstrokes, giving the resulting rich colours. The white highlights help to create perspective and give form to the figures.

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