

Painter (Dufy), 2013



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series Press Paintings

Pigment print, steel frame, museum glass

Image: 130 x 90 cm

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Courtesy Galerie Dix9 Hélène Lacharmoise

Description:

The concept behind this work is to highlight the different strata that make up the story of an old photograph found in a bookshop in Paris.

On the back of the original document is written: Painter (Jean Dufy). Small format, the photograph must have been used for a press photograph. The definition of the image being mediocre, one had to call on a miniaturist painter who rewrote and retouched the face with a brush while erasing the background. The photograph then underwent the vagaries of time, visible to some tears of paper. By enlarging the document, Sebastian Riemer reveals all this history and objectivizes his research by giving an equal definition to each part of the photograph, erasing any idea of vintage by its black and white print.