

Ernst Barlach: Sculpture "Wanderer in the Wind" (1934), reduction in bronze

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In 1934, Barlach created this impressive work titled "Wanderer in the Wind", which is one of his most significant, popular and best-described works. Throughout the decades of Barlach's oeuvre, the viewer is presented with the fate of human beings in characteristic, fundamental states of mind. All of his works are filled with deep thoughtfulness, compassionate humanity, reflection and contemplation.

Against the storm of the destruction of Barlach's works from 1934 onwards, the "Wanderer in the Wind" literally braces himself. The sculpture is based on a drawing made in 1927, which the artist faithfully reproduced. With his left hand, he holds onto the cap on his head, with his right hand he closes the cloak around his body. The left side view illustrates the dynamic forward movement through a drapery fold in the robe, highlighting the standing leg that provides the strength for the next step. The right side, with a pedestal and folds in the robe, is more still, more pensive as if the thoughts here were born of longing, compelling the necessity for departure.

The face of the wanderer and his expression are of particular significance. It shows a willingness to fight and determination. The sculpture becomes a monument to courage, resistance and self-confidence. The work "Wanderer in the Wind" is a desperately insistent commitment to freedom and resistance. This is what makes the work so exceptionally precious and, unfortunately, timeless in its relevance. (Dr Friedhelm Häring, former museum director and curator)

Fine bronze sculpture, cast using the Lost-Wax-Process and chiselled, polished and patinated by hand. Moulded from the original and reduced in size (reduction). Open back. Limited edition of 980 copies, individually numbered and with the signature "E. Barlach" taken from the original and the foundry mark. With numbered certificate of authenticity and limitation certificate. Size 33 x 16 x 5 cm (h/w/d). Weight 2.6 kg. ars mundi Exclusive Edition.

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