



**Modern & Post-War British Art Part II: The Studio of Alan Thornhill (08 Jul 2021 B)**

Thu, 8th Jul 2021

**Lot 227**

**Estimate:** £300 - £500 + Fees

**ALAN THORNHILL (1921-2020)**

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*Janet Brace*

signed *AT* (on the back of the neck)

patinated terracotta

34.5 x 24 cm (13 3/4 x 9 1/2 in)

Executed in 1964 at the artist's Putney studio.

**PROVENANCE:**

Artist's estate

The sitter, Janet Brace, was the wife of Derek Cooper, OBE (1925-2014), the probing journalist and mellifluous broadcaster who produced a series of documentaries for radio and television including *Signpost* (1961), *Revolution Round the Corner* (1964) and *The Curious Character of Britain* (1970). Latterly he was probably best known as the voice of Radio 4's *The Food Programme* which he presented from 1979-2001, and in which he decried the parlous state of the British culinary tradition.

For further details on the artist, please check:

<https://www.chiswickauctions.co.uk/news-item/open-studio-of-alan-thornhill/?pc=6>