



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

Thu, 8th Jul 2021

### Lot 231

**Estimate:** £200 - £300 + Fees

**ALAN THORNHILL (1921-2020)**

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*Enigma (The Porter)*

signed with monogram AT (lower right)

oil on canvas

76 x 50.5 cm (30 x 20 in)

Conceived in 1991, the title of this painting derives from Thornhill's serendipitous reading of *When the World Was Whole, Three Centuries of Memories* by Charles Fenyvesi, published in 1990. The book chronicles the author's Hungarian family's rise under the Hapsburgs, its fall in World War I and its near extinction under the Nazis.

**PROVENANCE:**

Artist's estate

For further details on the artist, please check:

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