



Mixed Media Portrait on Canvas of a Male Circus Performer by Jerry Williamson

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Details

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PERIOD: Early 20th Century

CONDITION: Excellent

MEASUREMENTS: Height: 31.13" Width: 25.13" Depth: 0.88"

COUNT: 1

MATERIAL: Paper, Painted

CREATOR: Jerry Williamson (Painter)

COUNTRY OF ORIGIN: United States