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OSKAR KOKOSCHKA

(Pöchlarn 1886–1980 Montreux)

Flowers. 14 June 1965.

Watercolour on paper.

Dedicated, signed and dated lower right: For my Martha in a far land to remember yours O.Kokoschka 14.6.65.

51 x 39 cm.

Provenance: - Martha Hirsch, Sydney, as a present from the artist. - Richard and Marielouise Hirsch, Sydney, by descent from the above. - Private collection, Jerusalem, by descent to the present owners. This watercolour was a gift from Oskar Kokoschka to Martha Hirsch, a very good friend. Kokoschka had already portrayed Hirsch several times, most famously in an Expressionist portrait from 1909, now privately owned. During World War II,

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Martha Hirsch and her husband fled to Australia, where they finally settled. However, the artist and the Hirschs maintained contact during their entire lifetime, as witnessed by Kokoschka's dedication on the present work.

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