

Basic Detail Report



Oak Tree (A Special Place)

Date

C.1989

Primary Maker

Collins, Patrick

Medium

Oil on canvas

Description

"Someone once asked me why didn't I teach - pass on my experience to somebody else? In reply, I said I would have to start by saying, I can teach you nothing because I know nothing and that's after a lifetime of working for artistic completion, reading, writing, researching, discussing and observing. I broke all the rules in an effort to get at the truth of something and landed back on my own two feet with the conclusion that nobody else knew anything either. So, there are no teachers, no pundits, only yourself. I started by trying to wed the thing and some hidden meaning of it and instinctively demanding a shape that overall accommodated both. Now, I've arrived at a logical development of this idea with the blanks substituting or suggesting what I don't know. To whom it may concern Forgive me. Sinn Féin" Patrick Collins

Dimensions

Object: 46 × 59 cm