

Tower Bridge From the Thames

Sold



REF: 1859

Height: 71.5 cm (28.1")

Width: 91.5 cm (36")

## Description

Sir Robert Vere "Robin" Darwin KCB CBE RA RSA PRWA NEAC (7 May 1910 - 30 January 1974) was a British artist and Rector of the Royal College of Art.

He was the son of the golf writer Bernard Darwin and his wife the engraver Elinor Monsell. One of his sisters was the potter Ursula Mommens. He was a great-grandson of the naturalist Charles Darwin. In 1931 he married Yvonne Darby (1900?-1985) who was also an artist. After their divorce, he later married Ginette Hewitt (died 2006), who had been previously married to Lt-Col Kenneth Morton-Evans, OBE, TD and Bar, by whom she had two children, a son, Michael and a daughter, Angela.

Robin Darwin as sketched by Group of Seven artist Arthur Lismer

This charcoal of Robin Darwin was sketched by Canadian artist Arthur Lismer, a member of the Group of Seven. It was given by Darwin to John Bland, former head of McGill's School of Architecture and later Bland gave it to Norman Slater, who studied Architecture at McGill and Industrial Design at the RCA around the same time it was drawn, in the early 1950s.