

Busy Day on the Waves

William Thornley

Sold



REF: 1766 Width: 51 cm (20.1") Depth: 76.5 cm (30.1")

Description

Thornley's works are beautifully detailed and show a masterful understanding of the moods of both weather and sea. They are often small in size and put together with fine detail and great artistic merit. Thornley's fishing scenes are spirited and similar in style to those of "Jock" Wilson, and are often painted in pairs. Thornley's works have always been popular when they appear on the art market. He was believed to have first exhibited marines at the Royal Academy in 1859 from an address in Paddington, London and also at the British Institution from 1861 until it closed in 1867. He continued to exhibit at the Royal Academy until 1898.

Thornley also exhibited at the Paris Salon and the Salon of French Artists, receiving an honourable mention in 1881 and a third place medal in 1888.