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AMSTERDAM

DOLF D. VAN OMME 19TH-21ST CENTURY EUROPEAN FINE ARTS



Evening Atmosphere near Laren, 1909

Signed and dated lower left
Oil on canvas
45 x 63 cm.

Provenance:
Acquired directly from the artist by Dr J.F.S. Esser
Collection of Dr J.F.S. Esser
Collection of the heirs of Dr J.F.S. Esser

This rare and exceptionally atmospheric masterpiece from the autumn of 1909 marks the exact year Jan Sluijters settled in the famous artists' colony of Laren, laying the foundations for his iconic modernism. In 'Evening Atmosphere near Laren', the tranquil, blue evening glow and the slender autumn trees display a fabulous luminist play with the very last daylight on the farmyard. This specific autumnal setting, with its characteristic barn and wooden fencing, forms the direct geographical and visual cradle for his legendary Moonlight series (1910–1912).