Henry Moore Artwork Catalogue - Detailed Report



Ideas for Sculpture: Seated Figures

Catalogue Number HMF 802

Artwork Type

Drawing

Date

c.1930

Dimensions

paper: 125 x 112 mm

Medium

pen and ink

Paper Support

cream lightweight wove

Signature

pen and ink c. Henry/Moore, undated

Ownership

The Henry Moore Foundation: gift of the artist 1977

More Information

The verso bears the draft of a letter in Moore's hand to someone of unknown identity who had recently bought one of his sculptures. Moore's reference to the fact that he was teaching at 'Chelsea Polytechnic', a post he took up in the autumn of 1931, indicates either that these sketches date to that year, or that he wrote the draft letter on the back of drawings made the year previously. It was unusual for him to use his christian name when signing work.