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CAMILLE PISSARRO
(1830 - 1903)

Two Women Carrying Vases on their Heads with Studies of two Women in Profile

Black lead, pen and brown ink
20.3 x 26.8 cm (8 x 10 1/2 inches)

Inscribed upper middle, *A M*
Executed in Venezuela circa 1852-1854

Verso: *A Man seen from Behind, Two Bulls Pulling a Cart, a Donkey in Profile to the Left, and a Woman, Half-length*
Inscribed, *Prudencia*

This work is accompanied by a letter of authenticity from Dr Joachim Pissarro and will be included in the forthcoming *Catalogue Raisonné of Drawings by Camille Pissarro*.

The drawing *Two Women Carrying Vases on their Heads with Studies of Two Women in Profile* (recto), is a study of women in the marketplace in Caracas, Venezuela. These women, usually peasants or servants had to get water from the public fountains for private use. Pissarro did numerous studies of this subject; probably fascinated by the balance and grace it took to accomplish such a task.

