VARILARGUERO ON THE SHOULDERS OF A PIMP, STINGING A BULL (BULLFIGHTING D)

CLASIFICACIÓN: PRINTS

SERIE: BULLFIGHTING(PRINTS AND DRAWINGS , 1814-1816) (37/46)

DATOS GENERALES

CRONOLOGÍA	1810 - 1815
DIMENSIONES	242 x 353 mm
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RECONOCIMIENTO DE LA AUTORÍA DE GOYA	Documented work
FICHA: REALIZACIÓN/REVISIÓN	01 Oct 2021 / 22 Jun 2023
INVENTARIO	964 -

INSCRIPCIONES

D (estampado, ángulo superior derecho)

HISTORIA

See *How the ancient Spaniards hunted bulls on horseback in the countryside*

The print, rejected by Goya and not included in the first edition of the *Bullfighting* of 1816, was added and published for the first time, along with six other (A-G), in the third edition of the series, published by Eugène Loizelet in Pais in 1876. It was retained in subsequent editions of the *Bullfighting* .

A proof of the print, retouched in black pencil, brown ink wash and white lead, has been

preserved.

The plate of the print is preserved in the National Chalcography (no. 370), with *Origin of the harpoons or flags* engraved on the obverse.

ANÁLISIS ARTÍSTICO

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This print was not included by Goya in the official edition of *Bullfighting* in 1816, as he had previously discarded it, but neither did he replace it with another that dealt with the same subject, as happened in other cases.

Two symmetrical groups of figures appear in the foreground of the print, which reproduces quite faithfully the preparatory drawing, also entitled *Varilarguero on the shoulders of a pimp, stinging a bull (Bullfighting D)*, with the addition og a very successful chiaroscuro effect. the two groups are of similar importance, which may have seemed a mistake in Goya´s eyes and led him not to include the print in the series.

The group on the right consists of the bull and two men, one dressed as a picador, standing on the shoulders of the other holding a pike with which he is poking the bull while the bearer throws the cape at the animal. There is a marked contrast between the black colour of the bull and the clear intonation of the bullfighters. The group on the left is made up of four men, no doubt pimps, who are dressed in capes and watch the scene in case it should be necessary to intervene. In the background, between the two groups, we can see a third, secondary group of four more pimps and, further back, the barrier and the bullrings filled with a crowd of people watching the scene attentively. There are few points of light, which mainly highlight the costumes of the men in the foreground.

Lafuente Ferrari relates the scene to the bullfighter Juan Jorge, Joaquinín, who performed a number like the one depicted, which is known from a poster in the Madrid bullring in 1776. For Bagüés, what is represented is a novillada, a type of bullfight in which the bulls were run without being killed. He highlights a lighting effect created in part of the bullring, which he considers magnificent.

CONSERVACIÓN

D (print, upper right-hand corner)

EXPOSICIONES

Grabados y dibujos de Goya en la Biblioteca Nacional
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1984

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WILSON BAREAU, Juliet
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PALABRAS CLAVE

JUAN JORGE JOAQUINÍN CHULO A HOMBROS PICA PICADOR VARILARGUERO TORERO TOREO TOROS

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