

Not identified

Liegender Frauenakt (Reclining  
nude)  
Gustav Klimt

Measures: 22 x 54 cm

**Description:**

Gutekunst & Klipstein, Auction catalogue Auktion 80, Graphik und Handzeichnungen Moderner Meister 24. November 1955:

37a. Liegender Frauenakt mit aufgestützem Kopf. Bleistift. 22:54 cm  
Typische zeichnung, rechts unten signiert.

**Provenance:**

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As per alleged correspondence Lukacs/Kornfeld (handed over by David Bacalar) P0019:  
1956 bought from Lukacs

As per correspondence Kornfeld/Bratschi (handed over by Thomas Buomberger): delivery via mail (1 roll, 1 parcel) from Brüssel to Bern August 22nd, 1955

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The law firm of Dunnington Bartholow & Miller LLP is leading efforts to recover Fritz Grunbaum's stolen art collection on behalf of his heirs. On August 4, 2016, Justice Charles Ramos (Supreme Court, New York County) in a case captioned *Reif v. Nagy* permitted the heirs' claims to proceed against London art dealer Richard Nagy and denied the application of the art title insurance company ARIS to intervene in the action. This case is currently proceeding. In 2014, as commemorated in a ceremony featuring former District Attorney Robert Morgenthau at the Museum of Jewish Heritage – A Living Memorial To The Holocaust, Dunnington negotiated the restitution and auction of Schiele's *Town on the Blue River* at Christie's auction house in a very successful sale. The high auction price shows that it pays to do the right thing. The heirs would appreciate any information about the artworks stolen from Fritz Grunbaum while he was in the Dachau Concentration Camp and would

## THE LOST COLLECTION OF FRITZ GRÜNBAUM

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appreciate any persons of good faith voluntarily stepping forward to return these artworks. The heirs call on art historians and experts in the museum community to have the courage to release scholarly reports on the stolen items in museum collections and to call on the governments of Austria and the United States to work towards taking these stolen artworks out of museum collections.