



## **GIOVANNI BATTISTA TIEPOLO**

(Venice, 1696 - Madrid, 1770)

*a half-length study of a male nude*

red chalk, heightened with white, on blue paper  
132 x 178 mm.

### **Provenance:**

Benigno Bossi (1727 – 1792) ?

Henry S. Williams, New York

Sale, Sotheby's, London, 20 March 1973, lot 155 (£850 to Stein)

Adolf Stein, Crans-sur-Sierre

Purchased from the above by George Walker in 1977

By descent

### **Literature:**

George Knox, Giambattista and Domenico Tiepolo: a study and catalogue raisonnée of the chalk drawings, Oxford University Press, 1980, Vol. I, page 249, no. M. 332: "Perhaps a study for the Throne-Room at Madrid"

### **Exhibited:**

Ashmolean Museum, For the Love of Drawing: Drawings from an Oxfordshire Private Collection, 3 June to 18 August 2002