

BIOGRAPHY

ANTON ZORAN MUŠIČ

Born in Gorizia in 1909, after graduating at the Academy of Fine Arts of Zagreb, Mušič travelled and worked extensively between France and Spain becoming one of the most significant representatives of the pictorial symbolism of the New School of Paris.

The Second World War crucially marked his life: in 1944 Mušič was arrested by the Gestapo and spent six months in the Dachau concentration camp, where he was forced to work in the ammunition factory. After the liberation, which took place in the spring of 1945, the painter first settled in Venice, then in Paris. It will take time to resume the artistic activity, which becomes tragic and poetic, cruel and dreamy at the same time, in a perfect balance between abstraction and figure, giving the artist important international recognitions.

In 1970 he began the series *We are not the last*, in which his most inner sentiments and the terror of what he witnessed are expressed. Mušič dies in Venice in 2005 at the age of 96 years.