Pieter Bruegel, the elder

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Garden of Praise: Pieter Bruegel the Elder Artist

The carnivalesque energy of the left-hand side of the painting stands not so much for the emergent spirit of Protestantism - which tended to be more repressive of the traditional festive calendar than Catholicism - but for the obdurate pagan customs and rebellious character of an oppressed culture. In this sense there was a far greater depth to their work than some others from this era who simply specialised in portraits, beautifully composed portraits in fairness, and saw this as a means to strengthening their financial and reputational future. They saw the strengths and weaknesses of humanity and felt comfortable in depicting both.

Pieter Bruegel Drawings

Pieter the Elder had two sons: Pieter Brueghel the Younger and Jan Brueghel the Elder both kept their name as Brueghel. One has to look closely amongst the figures traveling the mountain path to pick out the convert thrown from his horse, lying on the ground as God strikes him blind.

WebMuseum: Bruegel, Pieter the Elder

The most-copied painting is the 1565, of which the original is in Brussels; 127 copies are recorded.

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The conclusion from that would therefore be that he drew confidence from other study sketches prior to commencing his complex oil paintings. Bruegel possibly got this work via the connections of, the wife of Pieter Coecke. Returning home in 1553, he settled in Antwerp but ten years later moved permanently to Brussels.

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While Antwerp was the capital of Netherlandish commerce as well as the art market, Brussels was the centre of government.

Pieter Bruegel the Elder, Hunters in the Snow (Winter)

These themes were tackled with an unmistakable, droll and often grotesque humor, an interest in the collective over the individual, and a healthy skepticism for narratives of great deeds and men.

Netherlandish Proverbs, 1559

Granvelle's nephew and heir was strong-armed out of his Bruegels by , the very acquisitive Austrian Habsburg Emperor.

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The man directly behind him is mid-stumble, while the steep downward curve of the path behind him suggests that the four following him will suffer the same fate. Mayken's father and eight siblings were all artists or married an artist, and lived in Mechelen. Moving in a diagonal sweep from the center foreground to the right background, a crowd of people, including a number of soldiers in armor, swarm into a gap in the rockface.

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