Ex-libris (bookplate) - The book of Henrik Sipos

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Accession Nr.:	ELT 42.91.a
Artist/Maker:	Gara, Arnold (1882 - 1929) / drawn by
Place of production:	Budapest
Inscription:	jobbra lent: GARA
Materials:	paper
Dimensions:	height: 109 mm width: 81 mm height: 90 mm width: 66 mm

In the Henrik Sipos ex libris competition of the periodical A Ház (see the ex libris of Lajos Kozma), this piece received the second prize, symbolizing the fate of artists: a spiritualized, naked male figure walking on a rope hung above a crowd of mocking, everyday people at the height of factory chimneys. He is longing for the stars – “ad astra” - as an allegory of the lonely, difficult trouble-filled path of artistic vocation.

Literature

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