

T O M A S S O



Jean-Baptiste Pigalle (1714 - 1785)

Venus and Mercury

Marble

Venus: 108 cm (42½ in.) high

Mercury 100 cm (39½ in.) high

Private collection

Provenance:

Fermier Général Bouret de Vézelay, 1762, from whom purchased; Marquis d'Aligre, by descent; Marquis de Pomereu, 1801, by descent in the family until 1977; Rosenberg & Stiebel, New York, 1977, until purchased by Barbara Piasecka Johnson, 1980

Literature:

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