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Clive Sheppard

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800 - 1,200 GBP

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Description

Clive Sheppard  
The Rain Makers  
bronze  
height: 54cm., 21¼in.  
Conceived in 1962.

#### Provenance

Mr and Mrs George Strauss, London  
Sale, Christie's London, 30th May 1997, lot 98, where acquired by David Bowie

#### Literature

Maurice de Sausmarez, *Motif*, 12, Winter 1964, pp.73-75, illustrated (another cast).

#### Condition

The central figure is slightly loose in its base, but otherwise the sculpture is sound. There are minor traces of oxidisation to all three figures, and traces of light surface dirt, particularly in the crevices. There is a very tiny scratch to the back of the left hand element, in the upper quarter. Subject to the above the work is in very good overall condition. Each element of the sculpture is attached to a wooden base in one place. Please telephone the department on +44 (0) 207 293 6424 if you have any questions regarding the present work.

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Together with a study for the present work by the same hand.