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LATE 18TH CENTURY
SIZE : 37 CM HIGH, 28 CM WIDE – 14½ INS HIGH, 11 INS WIDE (CANVAS)

LITERATURE

INVITING THE VIEWER TO 'REMEMBER ME' THIS 'VANITAS' SERVES AS A SYMBOL OF BOTH DEATH AND CONSTANT WORLDLY CHANGE AND AS A REMINDER OF THEIR INEVITABILITY. MAN IS THUS REMINDED OF HIS IMMINENT MORTALITY AND THAT HE SHOULD LIVE EACH DAY AS BEST AND AS WELL AS HE CAN.