## **DESIGN MASTERWORKS**



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## GIO PONTI AND ERWIN WALTER BURGER

Rare mirror with console

Fontana Arte | reverse etched and painted St. Gobain glass, mirrored glass, brass  $42 \text{ h} \times 30 \text{ w} \times 6 \text{ d}$  in  $(107 \times 76 \times 15 \text{ cm})$ 

Collaboration between designers and artists is a tradition which began at Fontana Arte in the 1930s. Erwin Burger's tenure at Fontana Arte began under the direction of Pietro Chiesa and continued with Gio Ponti in the 1940s. This rare, reverse-painted glass mirror and console laid the groundwork for the highly successful and creative collaboration of Max Ingrand and Dulio Barnabe in the 1950s.

Signed with applied foil manufacturer's label to mirror: [fa Cristallo St. Gobain]. Signed with decal label to console: [Kunstglas Burger]. Sold with a certificate of expertise from the Gio Ponti Archives.

Estimate: \$30,000-50,000

