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Eugenio Baroni (Taranto 1880-1936 Genoa)

A soldier

Signed: 'E.Baroni'

Bronze, black patina

27 1/2 in. (70 cm.), high

Conceived in 1933 and this model cast circa 1935.



The present work is a model for one of the soldiers on the monument to Prince Emanuele Filiberto, Duke of Aosta (1869 - 1931) in the Piazza Castello, Turin (see image below). Prince Emanuele Filiberto, 2nd Duke of Aosta was an Italian general and member of the House of Savoy as the son of Amadeo I, and was also a cousin of Victor Emmanuel III of Italy. Prince Emanuele was also commander of the Italian Third Army during World War I, which earned him the title of the 'Undefeated Duke'. The Third Army participated in all eleven Battles of the Isonzo (1914-1917) and played a leading role in the final victory offensive a year later, which gave them their name 'La Armata Invitta' ('The undefeated Army').

The monument is located behind the Palazzo Madama in Piazza Castello, Turin. Its designer, the Genoese artist Eugenio Baroni, served in World War I, and received a silver medal of valor for his outstanding bravery during his army service. The monument was inaugurated in 1937 in the presence of King Vittorio Emanuele III, the Princess of Piedmont and the Duchess of Aosta.



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Eugenio Baroni at work in his studio