(Sala: Archangels) General information
This room is dedicated to the paintings of archangels. If you observe the paintings around you will notice there are two types of archangels: the traditional catholic European and the harquebusier archangels from the colonial tradition from the Peruvian Andes. The archangels are celestial beings; some of them are mentioned in the Bible and others in apocryphal gospels.
The biblical archangels in part, originated the harquebusier archangels. These are products of the “mestizo” devotion from the Peruvian viceroyalty, as they also represent winged deities from the original cultures.
By it, the majority of harquebusier archangels were painted in Cuzco. These were represented with feminine and masculine features of young people, which are dressed with elegance and carry arms in their hands, generally, a harquebus.