Basic Detail Report



Portrait of a Woman

Date

c. 1785

Primary Maker George Engleheart

Medium

Watercolor on ivory mounted under glass in a gold case; decorative element comprised of mother of pearl, hair, pearls, and gold on a foil base inset into reverse, fully visible and mounted under glass

Description

Miniature. Nearly full face, pale fleshtones, dark blue eyes, light brown hair with curls to shoulder and pearls in

hair, light dress with ruffled collar trimmed with blue and yellow ribbon; pale blue and cloudy background. Blue-grey tonality. Back has swirled green glass (enamel?) radiating decoration around central raised medallion. Glass is over embossed foil to resemble fired enamel. Medallion has hair twisted into bow with seed pearls and fine metal threads, some of which are loose and rattling around.

Dimensions

Object: 2 5/8 × 1 7/8 × 1/2" (6.7 × 4.8 × 1.3 cm)