Basic Detail Report



The Angel Liberating St. Peter from Prison

Date

circa 1625-1635

Primary Maker

Anton van den Heuvel

Medium

Oil on canvas

Dimensions

47 1/2 x 38 5/8 in. (120.7 x 98.1 cm) Frame: 62 3/4 x 54 in. (159.4 x 137.2 cm)

Classifications

Paintings

Credit Line

Purchased with funds from the State of North Carolina

Object number

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Provenance

Probably created Ghent, Flanders [present day Belgium], ca. 1625–1635. Sir Edward Stewart-Richardson (1872–1914), Pitfour Castle, Perth Scotland, as by Spagnoletto (Jusepe de Ribera). [Christie, Manson & Woods, London, May 6, 1949, no. 153, as Saint Peter Released from Prison by A. Carracci]; [David M. Koetser Gallery, New York]; sold to NCMA, 1952.

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Exhibition History

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