



N.C. Wyeth, David Lawrence, Andrew Wyeth

Title

Portrait of a Dog

Medium

Oil on canvas

Date

1933

Dimensions

37 1/4 × 52 7/8 in. (94.6 × 134.3 cm)

Accession number

96.1.35

Credit Line

Bequest of Carolyn Wyeth, 1996

Web Description

This clever painting is a portrait within a portrait, a combination of figures—human and canine—seen from various angles. Young Andrew Wyeth, then fifteen years old, takes pencil in hand to render a portrait of the Wyeth family dog, Lupe. Andrew's friend David Lawrence holds Lupe in place, while she turns her best side to the artist. In this painting, N. C. Wyeth provides two portraits of the dog: the painted version with head in three-quarter view and the drawn version that Andrew captures in profile.