



Peter Hurd

Title

Road Dust

Medium

Tempera on canvas

Date

1936

Dimensions

16 1/4 × 26 1/4 in. (41.3 × 66.7 cm)

Accession number

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Web Description

This sunset scene illustrates one of the primary limitations of lithography as Peter Hurd practiced it—color. In a note Hurd tucked behind the print of *The Water Tank* (also in this exhibition), he describes the "saffron afterglow beyond the mountains," which is vividly captured in this tempera. The pick-up truck speeding along a dusty deserted road also appears in the lithograph *Home for Supper*, which was made over thirty years after this painting.