



John Ross Key

Title

Ladies of Lake George

Medium

Oil on canvas mounted on hardboard

Date

1878

Dimensions

20 7/8 × 37 7/8 in. (53 × 96.2 cm)

Accession number

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Credit Line

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Web Description

For *Ladies of Lake George*, John Ross Key selected a favorite haunt of the Hudson River School artists as well as affluent summer residents and tourists. The two fashionably attired women, shaded by their parasols, direct our gaze toward the glassy surface of the lake. Key's richly topographical composition of hills, lake, and distant mountains is likely a nod to his earlier work as a map-maker. In the skillful capturing of light, the abundance of botanical detail, and the carefree mood, Key creates a visual ode to a summer day.