



## Carolyn Wyeth

### Title

Open Window

### Medium

Oil on canvas

### Date

1944

### Dimensions

25 × 36 in. (63.5 × 91.4 cm)

### Accession number

79.2

### Credit Line

Gift of Carolyn Wyeth in memory of Mark L. Arnold, 1979

### Web Description

Carolyn Wyeth underwent vigorous training in her father's studio, making numerous still-life studies of fundamental forms such as cones and cubes. Her work reflects her ongoing appreciation of the beauty of simple, abstract shapes. Here she reduces forms to their essence, drawing close attention to each individual element in the picture. The wide-open window, billowing curtain, and the single flower create an air of mystery and poignancy, a mood that is often present in her paintings. The flower seems to hold a deeper meaning beyond its physical presence, perhaps symbolizing a bittersweet moment remembered.