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Title

The Valley of the Brandywine

Medium

Oil on canvas mounted on board

Date

1884-1889

Catalogue Number

76.11

Credit Line

Gift of Louise Philibosian Danelian, 1976

Web Description

William Trost Richards spent most of his adult life living in the Germantown section of Philadelphia. His early subjects ranged from the woods and waterways of Germantown to the remote peaks of the Adirondacks. During the 1860s, he was considered foremost among the American Pre-Raphaelites for his detailed and brilliantly hued landscapes and still-life paintings. The final decades of his career were divided between the rolling terrain of Chester County in Pennsylvania, from which he drew inspiration for his stately pastoral landscapes of the 1880s, and the rugged coasts of old and New England.