



Jamie Wyeth, Deo du Pont Weymouth

Title

Deo du Pont Weymouth

Medium

Oil on canvas

Date

ca. 1966

Dimensions

32 × 42 in. (81.3 × 106.7 cm)

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Web Description

The elegant sitter in this portrait by Jamie Wyeth is Dulcinea Ophelia Payne du Pont Weymouth, better known as Deo. Born in 1909 into the prominent du Pont family of Wilmington, Delaware, she led a life of racing and breeding horses and quiet philanthropy, including major support to the Brandywine River Museum of Art. She was an artist herself, as was her son George A. Weymouth, one of the founders of the museum. In his dramatically lit portrait of her, Wyeth emphasizes her arched brow and engaging gaze as she perches in an unusually asymmetrical chair.