

The Frick Collection: Detail Report



Calendrical and Astronomical Pendant Watch

George Smith (British, act. ca. 1622-1646)

Date ca. 1625

Medium Silver and gilt brass

Dimensions 2 7/16 x 1 7/16 x 1 in. (6.2 x 3.6 x 2.5 cm)

Credit Line Bequest of Winthrop Kellogg Edey, 1999

Accession Number 1999.6.17

Currently On View

Second Floor, Room 23, Clocks and Watches Room

Commentary Most sixteenth-century watches were made in Germany and France, but during the early 1600s, watchmaking centers began to flourish in other countries. George Smith, the English maker of this watch, entered the guild known as the Clockmakers' Company in 1632, the year after its founding. Smith is recorded as working "next to the New Exchange" and having two apprentices (probably John and Paul Jacob). Source: Vignon, Charlotte. *The Frick Collection Decorative Arts Handbook*. New York: The Frick Collection/Scala, 2015.