

# The Frick Collection: Detail Report

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## Vase Duplessis (one of a pair)

Vincennes Porcelain Manufactory (French, act. ca. 1740–1756)

**Date** 1756

**Medium** Soft-paste porcelain

**Dimensions** 7 3/8 × 4 1/4 × 3 3/4 in. (18.7 × 10.8 × 9.5 cm)

**Credit Line** Gift of Miss Helen Clay Frick, 1934

**Accession Number** 1934.9.04

Currently On View

Second Floor, Room 28, Boucher Room

**Commentary** Jean-Claude Duplessis is credited with designing the shape of this vase, one of the oldest produced by the porcelain manufactory in Vincennes. A successful model, it was made in at least five different sizes, always with a white ground and colorful flowers in relief; most are decorated with sprays of flowers and flowering branches. The floral garlands on this piece (one of a pair) were painted by Denis Levé (active 1754–1800), a specialist in flowers and ornaments who contributed to the decoration of several dinner services, including one presented by Louis XV to Christian VII of Denmark in 1768.

**Collection History** Comte N. P. Chérémteff, St. Petersburg. Gift of Miss Helen C. Frick, 1934. Source: *Porcelains in The Frick Collection: Oriental and French. Volume VII.* New York: The Frick Collection, 1974.