

The Frick Collection: Detail Report



Sir William Parkhurst (d. 1667; Warden of the Mint of England 1623–42, 1660–66)

Thomas Rawlins (British, 1620–1670)

Date dated 1644

Medium Silver, repoussé, mounted on a wood backing

Dimensions Diam.: 3 3/16 in. (8.09 cm) (not including wooden frame)

Credit Line Dr. Stephen K. and Janie Woo Scher Collection

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Currently On View

Second Floor, Room 32, Medals Room

Commentary This medal celebrates Parkhurst in his role as Warden of the Mint, to which he had been appointed first by James I, then by Charles I. Located in Shrewsbury at the beginning of the Civil War, the mint was moved to Oxford in 1642, the year it was seized by Parliament and Parkhurst, a royalist, was ousted as warden. He was returned to his former position in 1660 under Charles II. Source: Scher, Stephen K., et al. *The Scher Collection of Commemorative Medals*. New York and London, 2019.