

The Frick Collection: Detail Report



Napoleon Bonaparte (1769–1821; First Consul 1799–1804, Emperor of France 1804–14/15)

Bertrand Andrieu (French, 1761–1822)

Date dated 1807

Medium Silver, struck

Dimensions Diam.: 1 9/16 in. (4.03 cm)

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Currently On View

Second Floor, Room 32, Medals Room

Commentary This medal commemorates the defeat of Russian forces at Friedland by Napoleon's Grand Army, a victory that led to the Treaty of Tilsit, effectively ending the War of the Fourth Coalition (October 1806–July 1807). During the battle, half of the Russian army had been forced to retreat to the village of Friedland, where Napoleon's men slaughtered them at close quarters. More than twenty thousand Russians were killed. The reverse is after a design by Antoine-Denis Chaudet. Source: Scher, Stephen K., et al. The Scher Collection of Commemorative Medals. New York and London, 2019.