The Frick Collection: Detail Report



Maddalena of Mantua

Moderno (Galeazzo Mondella) (Italian, 1467–1528) Date dated 1504 Medium Copper alloy, cast Dimensions Diam.: 1 13/16 in. (4.61 cm) Credit Line Gift of Stephen K. and Janie Woo Scher, 2016 Accession Number 2016.2.129 Currently On View Second Floor, Room 32, Medals Room

Commentary Nothing is known about the sitter besides her name and origin, and the specificity of the date seems to relate to the temporal quality of the impresa on the reverse; it could be a sort of horoscope. The reverse has been interpreted alternately as the figure of Opportunity with the forelock of Fortune seizing Time. Source: Scher, Stephen K., et al. The Scher Collection of Commemorative Medals. New York and London, 2019.