Basic Detail Report



Christ in the House of Simon

Date

1743

Primary Maker

Jean François de Troy

Medium

Oil on canvas

Description

This is a large oil on canvas painting, with several classic figures in billowing fabrics populating the scene. The focus is a woman in the foreground is being blessed by Jesus. Eight figures and their billowing garments crowd the canvas behind the focus, two of which only their faces are visible over the shoulders of others. They are all seated around a table, and there is a great deal of action: mouths are open as if they are speaking, hands are gesturing, and

cups are lifted up to be refilled. Christ, on the left, wears red and blue. The woman facing him in the center foreground wears blue; her long hair is down and loose. She has removed Christ's sandals and is anointing his feet, wiping the excess scented water with her hair. She gently cradles his foot and she sits on her knees before the eating crowd.

Dimensions

76 x 56 1/4 in. (193 x 142.9 cm) Overall, Frame: 95 x 71 x 5 in. (241.3 x 180.3 x 12.7 cm)