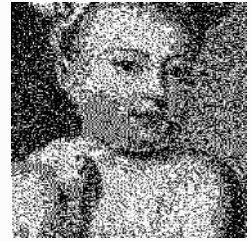


John Singleton Copley and the World of Prints

One Object conversation between **Jules Prown** and **Mark Hallett**



John Singleton Copley (1738–1815) is known for his painted portraits of colonial Americans (oils, pastels, and miniatures) and his English history pictures, but the relationship between Copley and prints is relatively obscure. Yet he was involved with prints throughout his career and beyond, from his earliest exposure to art in the Boston studio of his stepfather to the sale four years after his death of his collection of around 1,125 prints by and after old master and contemporary artists, and many engravings after his own paintings.



Figure 1

Graphic Encounters: John Singleton Copley and the World of Prints. A conversation between Jules Prown and Mark Hallett. Film produced by Jonathan Law.

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