

Basic Detail Report

Title Painting, theatrical backdrop, the Charter Oak

Date 1856

Medium Painting; oil on canvas, mounted on two gilded pine poles

Description Theatrical backdrop depicting the Charter Oak behind a white picket fence, with a path in the foreground and the Wyllys Mansion in the background. Painted for the play "Nathan Hale the Martyr Spy," which was performed at Wyatt's Theater on July 13, 1856, five weeks before the tree blew down.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x width): 58 1/4 × 69 1/4in. (148 × 175.9 cm)