

Basic Detail Report

Title Wadsworth Atheneum, Hartford, Conn.

Date 1847

Primary Maker Henry Austin

Medium Lithography and letterpress printing; printer's ink on wove paper

Description View of the Wadsworth Atheneum, a stone Gothic revival museum

building with square towers flanking the main entrance, which is recessed

behind flattened pointed arches. Windows appear to contain leaded glass and

have hood molds with corbel stops. Crenellations line the roof. Lettering in the

gable over the front entrance reads: "1842 / WADSWORTH ATHENEUM". A man

and a woman stand within the porch. Another man and woman are walking on

the dirt road to the left of the museum. A man, woman, and a small girl are

walking on what appears to be a paved sidewalk in front of the museum. This

man wears a cap and cloak and is leaning on a cane. A grassy lawn is in front of

the museum. Trees and an iron fence are at the left. Trees, a picket fence, and a

house are at the right. A lengthy letterpress text (see Inscriptions) is printed

beneath the image.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (image height x width): 8 7/16 x 11in. (21.4 x 27.9

cm) Sheet (height x width): 17 15/16 x 12 13/16in. (45.6 x 32.5cm)