

Basic Detail Report



Title Box

Date 1680-1710

Primary Maker Goodwin family

Medium Oak, pine, iron

Description Rectangular, oak box with a front carved in the style of the Moore shop tradition, in the seventeenth century style. The top (replaced) has ovolo, or thumbnail, molding on the front and sides; a cleat, or strip of wood, extends from the front to back on the underside of each side of the top. The top overhangs the front, sides and back of the box. The front is carved with a symmetrical pattern of flowers and leaves on a textured, recessed background within a rectangular border. The front edges of the box have a vertical band of small gouges, or chip carving. The sides and back of the box are plain. The pine bottom overhangs the sides of the box slightly, and has ovolo molding at the front and sides. The top is joined to the box with a pair of iron cotter-pin hinges at the back edge. Condition: The top and cleats are replaced. A rectangular

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notch at the interior upper right corner of the back of the box has been repaired.

Each exterior upper back corners of the box is repaired; below each of these

repairs are smaller repairs to the back corners of the box. The right front corner

bottom of the box is repaired. The box is refinished. Design and Construction

Details: Design. The carved decoration on the front of the box is divided into four

squal sections with three vertical incised lines. Each side of the symmetrical

design emerges from a leafy stem in the center front of the box that is divided by

the middle incised line. A series of opposing gouges along this line create a

vertical line of small diamonds on the lower half of the leafy stem. Construction.

The pine top is constructed of a single board; the cleats are nailed to the

underside of the top (top and cleats are replaced). The top is joined to the box

with a pair of cotter-pin hinges at the back edge. Each oak side of the box is

constructed of a single board. The sides of the box fit into rabbets on each end

of the front and back boards of the box; the sides are nailed in place through the

front and back corners of the box. The top interior right corner of the back of the

box has a squared notch cut into the wood (now filled in with a small wooden

block). The pine bottom of the box is constructed of a single board that is nailed

to the underside of the front, sides, and back of the box.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (overall height x width x depth): 8 7/16 x 28 3/16

x 16 1/2in. (21.4 x 71.6 x 41.9cm)