

Basic Detail Report



View Along the Delaware River

Primary Maker

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Medium

Oil on canvas

Description

A view along the Delaware River from the New Jersey side looking south. Two small boats are beached in an inlet in

the foreground. One male figure is carrying a mast and sail over his shoulder toward one of the boats, which has a second male figure in it poling the vessel onto the beach. The second vessel is anchored to the beach. A marshy bar separates the inlet from the river, which has four small sailing vessels on it, plus one three-masted ship. The river bank on the left has an eroded bank above a continuation of the beach, with another sailing vessel and human figure depicted in the distance. The foliage on the trees and bushes above the bank on the left suggest an early fall date for the painting. A partly cloudy sky completes the composition.

Dimensions

10 × 14 in. (25.4 × 35.6 cm)