

Image: 1.88×1.25 in. $(4.8 \times 3.2 \text{ cm})$

William Hartshorne

Medium

Watercolor on ivory in gold, colorless glass, human hair

Description

A small miniature portrait of William Hartshorne depicting the sitter in watercolor on ivory. William is shown in 3/4 view facing left, with brown eyes beneath dark brows. William wears a powdered gray wig, close fitting, and a dark royal blue coat. His elaborate ruffled shirt front is edged with lace and a white waistcoat. The backdrop shades from dark sepia-brown to a pale brownish gray. The rose gold locket includes bright cut borders on the front and a small flat tab loop on top for a hanging chain. On the back of the locket, a second glass bezel covers a plait of William's dark brown hair. Atop the hair is a delicate monogram "WH" in fine gold held in place by fine thread.

Dimensions