

Basic Detail Report



64.5 x 82.5 cm

The Woman with the Puppets

Date

1915

Primary Maker

Isobel Gloag

Medium

Oil on canvas

Dimensions

Description

Gloag depicts a woman lying naked on a bed with a puppet in one hand and another four cast aside. The puppets are all suited male figures. When this painting was shown in 2016, art critic Cristín Leach described it as “an incontrovertible statement of ownership of space and of self. There is no shame, only freedom — in every cell... Gloag’s depiction is of a woman as a self-sufficient individual, woman as person not object, woman as an active player not a symbol.”