

Cristofano di Michele Martini, known as Il Robetta L'adorazione dei Magi (The Adoration of the Magi), c. 1500–1520

Engraving on paper, mounted on paper, 303 x 278 mm on recto, lower right, signed in the plate: "ROBETTA" on verso, lower right, inscribed in pencil: "757[?]"; in blue: "97"

Provenance:

(...) By latest 2012: Cornelius Gurlitt, Munich/Salzburg From 6 May 2014: Estate of Cornelius Gurlitt

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Note:

The composition of this engraving was conceived after an altarpiece by Filippino Lippi of same subject (1496), now in the Uffizi Gallery in Florence. Numerous impressions exist, many of them comparatively modern.

Other impressions include those at the Albertina, Vienna (inv. DG1935/442), the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York (accession no. 17.3.566) and the University of Michigan Museum of Art (accession no. 1956/1.77).

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