REMBRANDT ETCHINGS: STATES, FAKES AND RESTRIKES

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- 30. The Triumph of Mordecai, original printing 1641 Early 18th C. restrike; State 2 of 2 2012.002.0280
- 31. Abraham Speaking to Isaac, original printing 1645 ca. 1790 restrike (Basan); State 2 of 2 2012.002.0290
- 32. Christ disputing with the Doctors (small plate), original printing 1630 ca. 1790 restrike (Basan); State 3 of 3 2012.002.0288
- 33. Christ disputing with the Doctors, original printing 1652 Late 18th C. fake by John Smith of Chichester (1717–1764) 2012.002.0312

35. Descent from the Cross (large plate),

36. Christ and the Woman of Samaria

37. Christ Crucified between Two Thieves

(oval plate), original printing 1641

Modern edition, 1816; State 2 of 2

34. Christ Raising Lazarus,

original printing 1632 1998 restrike; State 9 of 9

original printing 1633

among the Ruins,

original printing 1636

1998 restrike; State 2 of 2

1998 restrike; State 5 of 5

2012.002.0294

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Rembrandt Harmensz. van Rijn The Strolling Musicians, original printing 1635 Etching 18th C. pull, State 2 of 2

- 38. Agony in the Garden, original printing 1663 Modern edition, 1816; Only State 2012.002.0289
- 39. Landscape with Cow Drinking, original printing 1650 1998 restrike; State 3 of 3 2012.002.0300
- 40. Saint Jerome in a Dark Chamber, original printing 1642 Late 18th century pull; State 3 of 5 2012.002.0305

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Front cover detail: Rembrandt van Rijn (Dutch, 1606-1669), Self portrait in velvet cap with plume, 1638, etching; UWM Art Collection, Gift of Emile H. Mathis II, 2012.002.0292

- 18. Beggar Man and Woman Conversing, 24. Peasant Family on the Tramp, original printing 1630 Mid 18th C. fake by Francois Vivares (1709 - 1780)2012.002.0451
- 19. The Strolling Musicians, original printing 1635 ca. 1790 restrike (Basan); State 2 of 2 2012.002.0287
- 20. Peasant in High Hat, Leaning on a Stick, original printing 1638 Mid 18th C. fake by Francois Vivares (1709 - 1780)2012.002.0450
- 21. The School Master, original printing 1641 Late 20th C. restrike, probably by Beaumont; State 2 of 2 2012.002.0452
- 22. Student at Table by Candlelight, original printing 1642 Possible lifetime pull; Only State 2012.002.0306
- 23. Peasant Family on the Tramp, original printing 1652 Mid 18th C. restrike; State 2 of 2 2012.002.0284

- original printing 1652 Early 19th C. restrike; State 2 of 2 2012.002.0304
- 25. Peasant Family on the Tramp, original printing 1652 Early 19th C. fake by David Deuchar (1743 - 1808)2012.002.0311
- 26. The Golf Player, original printing 1654 1998 restrike; State 2 of 2 2012.002.0309
- 27. The Goldsmith, original printing 1655 Possible lifetime pull; State 3 of 3 2012.002.0303
- 28. Joseph's Coat Brought before Ja original printing 1633 Modern edition, 1816; State 2 of 2 2012.002.0278
- Joseph and Potiphar's wife, original printing 1634 Lifetime pull; State 1 of 2 2012.002.0308



Rembrandt Harmensz. van Rijn (Dutch, 1606-1669), one of the most influential printmakers in the history of art, created etchings that offer a wide range of subjects — from incisive representations of scriptures to studies of street life. His prints possess comedy as well as sober social commentary and have influenced innumerable later printmakers. But how can one be sure that a Rembrandt is truly or wholly by the Rembrandt? This exhibition examines the problem of authenticating Rembrandt's etchings.

This exhibition of Rembrandt etchings includes first state pulls from the artist's lifetime and restrike prints from the 17th to the 20th centuries



Rembrandt Harmensz. van Rijn Landscape with Cow Drinking, original printing 1650 Late 20th C. pull State 3 of 3

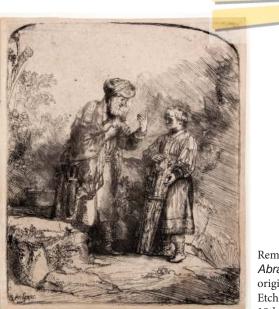
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Etching Intaglio process in which the design is worked into an acid-resistant substance coating the metal printing plate; the plate is then exposed to acid, which etches the plate where the metal is exposed, to create lines and dark areas when inked and pressed.

Pull The act of lifting the sheet of paper from the print plate or block, revealing the print the artist has created. The process includes the inking of the matrix, putting it through a press, and then separating the sheet of paper from the inked block to reveal the print.

State Print impressions from a plate or block, usually before the production of the regular edition, in order to correct, add to, or check the development of a work. Rembrandt created various states during his lifetime. After his death more states were created by skillfully reworking many of his plates to produce good impressions.

Restrike Impression made from the plate (or other matrix) after the original edition or issue has been completed. After Rembrandt's death in 1669, many publishers and printers continued to produce prints from the artist's plates, which are often called 'posthumous' impressions.



Rembrandt Harmensz. van Rijn Abraham Speaking to Isaac, original printing 1645 Etching 18th C. restrike; State 2 of 2

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- original printing 1638 Lifetime pull; State 1 of 3 2012.002.0292
- 2. Self Portrait in Velvet Cap with Plume, original printing 1638 Late 20th C. restrike; State 3 of 3 2012.002.0302
- 3. Self Portrait in Velvet Cap with Plume, original printing 1638 19th C. fake, probably by David Deuchar (1743 - 1808)2012.002.0359

Self Portrait in Flat Cap and Embroi-

dered Dress, original printing 1638

Lifetime pull; State 1 of 2

- 1. Self Portrait in Velvet Cap with Plume, 9. Man in a High Cap, original printing 1630 1998 restrike: State 6 of 6 2012.002.0286
 - 10. Rembrandt's Mother with Hand on her *Chest*, original printing 1631 1998 restrike; State 4 of 4 2012 002 0295
 - 11. Old Man with Beard, Fur Cap and *Velvet Cloak*, original printing 1632 Modern edition, 1816; State 3 of 3 2012.002.1623
 - 12. Old Bearded Man in High Fur Cap, original printing 1635
 - Early 19th C. restrike; Only state 2012.002.0279
 - 13. Old Woman Sleeping, original printing 1637 Early 19th C. fake by Ignace Joseph de Claussin (1766-1844) 2012.002.0291
 - 14. The Card Player, original printing 1641 1998 restrike; State 3 of 3 2012.002.0301
 - 15. Jan Antonides Van Der Linden. Physician, original printing 1665 Modern edition, 1816; State 6 of 6 2012.002.0310
 - 16. Beggar Leaning on a Stick, original printing 1630 Mid 18th C. fake by Francois Vivares (1709 - 1780)2012.002.0298
 - 17. Beggar Warming his Hands at Chafing *Dish*, original printing 1630 Mid 18th C. fake by Francois Vivares (1709 - 1780)2012.002.0297

2012.002.0307 Self Portrait in Flat Cap and Embroi-

- dered Dress, original printing 1638 Early 19th C. fake 2012.002.0313
- 6. Rembrandt with Curly Hair, original printing 1630 Mid 19th C. Héliogravure by Armand Durand (1831-1905) 2012.002.0283
- 7. Rembrandt with Plumed Hat and Lowered Sabre, original printing 1634 Early 19th C. fake by Ignace Joseph de Claussin (1766-1844) 2012.002.0293
- 8. Rembrandt Drawing at the Window, original printing 1648 1998 restrike; State 5 of 5 2012.002.0281