

Ancestral portrait of a lady

Date

probably 18th century

Primary Maker

Anonymous (Chinese)

Medium

tempera and gold leaf on paper

Description

The square emblem on the woman's chest is a rank badge, indicative of her husband's status. The wild goose symbolizes that he was a fourth-rate civil official.

Dimensions

frame: 51 3/16 x 25 5/16 in. (130 x 64.3 cm)