

Female saint with book (inv. 00163)

Author: Anonymous
Place: Southern Netherlands (Malines?)
Period: 1550-1590
Material: Oak, polychromy, gilded, copper
Measurements: 54,5 (without crown) x 24 x 17,5 cm
Origin: Purchased by Jean van Caloen

Description: The statue represents an unidentified female saint in a slightly hip position. She wears a white robe with gilded motifs over which, at the level of the abdomen, a peculiar upper garment decorated with scales. Over her shoulders is a broad brownish-red cloak lined with blue, which the woman clasps with her left arm creating a rich drop of folds. In the left hand the woman holds an open book while making a repelling gesture with her right hand. The air falls in two braids that fall over her shoulders. On the head is a removable crown. A pendant is formed with Saint Elizabeth (inv. 00164).

Exhibition:

Bibliography:

