

*Profile portrait of the Roman emperor Vitellius* (inv. 1000.03)

Author: Anonymous, after a series of prints by Jacques II de Gheyn (1619)

Place: Limoges

Period: 1650-1700

Material: Copper, painted enamel, gilded

Measurements: 11 x 8,7 x 1,8 cm

Origin: Purchased by Jean van Caloen

Description: An oval plaque with, against a black background, the profile portrait, to the right, of Roman emperor Aulus Vitellius (15-69). The painted portrait is in grisaille, the laurel crown is in light green. The gilt edge lettering, in capitals, reads: "AVL. / VITELLIVS / VIII".

Exhibition:

Bibliography: B. Kervyn de Volkaersbeke, *Champlevé Enamel: 13th Century Religious Art from Limoges and Central Italy*, Web magazine of Loppem Castle, no. 1, 2022

