

Study of Whitby Harbour, Yorkshire

Alfred William Hunt

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Description

Alfred William Hunt (1830-1896)
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Watercolour
25.2 by 35.6 cm., 10 by 14 in.

This rapid sketch was made during one of Hunt's frequent visits to Whitby from the mid 1870s onwards. It is taken from one of his favourite vantage points near the railway station with the harbour and its boats in the foreground. It may even be drawn from the station roof - the artist's daughter Violet records in her unpublished memoirs (1924-5, p.36, Cornell University) his 'perch on the broad roof of Whitby station, overlooking the harbour [to which he had access] by special arrangements with the station master'. A finished watercolour of this view entitled 'Whitby Harbour', is recorded in the Fuller Collection (see Christopher Newall, *The Poetry of Truth - Alfred William Hunt and the Art of Landscape*, 2004, no.54, p.158-9, ill.).