

Salvaging Boats in a Storm

William Joy

Sold



Description

William Joy (1803-1865) and John Cantiloe Joy (1805-1859)
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Signed lower right: JOY, 55.
Watercolour over pencil heightened with bodycolour and stopping out
31.9 by 47.9 cm., 12 1/2 by 18 3/4 in.

William and John were born three years apart in Yarmouth and both established themselves as marine artists. They frequently collaborated together, as well as working independently. In 1832, they moved to Portsmouth and were employed as Government draughtsmen, recording the local fishing fleet, as well as living in nearby Chichester and London.

The present carefully observed watercolour is characteristic of their precise and detailed style which reflects their thorough knowledge of shipping and rigging.