


Wall platter - With the portrait of Ferenc Pulszky

Ceramics and Glass Collection

Accession Nr.:	1281 
Manufacturer:	Zsolnay factory (Pécs)
Place of production:	Pécs
Inscription:	hátdoldalán masszába nyomva: Z. W. PÉCS; gyári papírcímkén: IX D/279 (dekorszám)
Materials:	hard earthenware
Techniques:	thrown in mould
Dimensions:	height: 2,5 cm diameter: 37,6 cm base diameter: 28,4 cm

The flat, thick, round plate depicts the portrait of Ferenc Pulszky (1814-1897), a scientist and public personality, in half profile. The drawing is shaded with cobalt pencil. The transparent, bright glaze is thin and was absorbed by the clay the rough surface has a great number of small holes.

The form (*façon*) number of the dish is probably 227, thus it was made in 1874.

In 1874-1875, several round plates with portraits of outstanding Hungarian personalities (e.g. Ferenc Déak, Lajos Kossuth, Miklós Ybl) were produced in the factory in cobalt, chrome and manganese colours. For details see the memories of Teréz Zsolnay in: Zsolnay T.-Zsolnay M.-Sikota Gy.: *Zsolnay*. Budapest, 1974, p. 60.

Literature

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