


# Miniature portrait - potrait of Lady Child-Villiers

## Metalwork Collection

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| <b>Accession Nr.:</b>       | 69.1408.1  |
| <b>Artist/Maker:</b>        | Childe, Warren James  |
| <b>Place of production:</b> | Great-Britain   |
| <b>Inscription:</b>         | Childe  |
| <b>Materials:</b>           | copper; glass; ivory; pearl   |
| <b>Techniques:</b>          | painting  |
| <b>Dimensions:</b>          | height: 12 cm<br>width: 9,2 cm  |

A bust of a young lady in a blue, laced dress, wearing a golden necklace and brooch, holding pansies. The background is an autumn landscape: a part of an antique, carved stone urn with cover appears to the right. The back of the miniature has a paper sheet with the inscription: 1840 J.W. Childe Pin[xi]t 39 Bedford Street Strand (?) London. There is another inscription written in different ink, by another hand: Dssc Northumberland. The sheet is covered by the lock placed on the back side of the picture, surrounded by a framework imitating goldsmiths' work. The blue glass plate, covering the back side, imitates a guilloche, with enamelled ornament. There is a copper foil under the plate. The lock is in a separate oval framework in the middle, applied on an opaque glass plate, which imitates mother-of-pearl. The plate is decorated with a thin golden wire and pearls. Beside the lock is a small, blue, oval glass plate on a stamped foil, framed by pearls. Small, delicate, finely turned ivory balls form initials over the plate however, owing to the missing balls, the initials are illegible.

## Literature

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