



Saint Anthony of Padua

Date

c. 1800

Medium

Wood, gesso, paint, cloth, glass and silver

Description

Hand carved wooden statue of Saint Anthony holding hand carved figure of This statue of Saint Anthony of Padua was once prominently displayed in the Don Bernardo Yorba Rancho chapel. Father Joseph Thompson, O.F.M. provided one of his own girdles to place around the waist of the figure just below the original one, to which the 35 gold and silver milagros which accompanied the statue have been attached. Don Bernardo Yorba, son of Antonio Yorba, a Catalanian soldier with the Portola expedition 1769, was the grantee of Santiago de Santa Ana Rancho, the only Spanish grant in what is now Orange County. Don Bernardo built the first two-story adobe

house in what is now Orange County, on his Rancho Canon de Santa Ana, granted to him in 1834 by the government. The home contained 90 rooms and history records that over 1,000 mission-trained Indians were employed. He was one of the wealthiest and most distinguished men of his day.

Dimensions

Overall: 64 in. (162.6 cm)