



Foredeck Action in Heavy Weather

Date

1980s

Medium

Watercolor on paper

Description

Few artists have succeeded in conveying the kinetic motion of vehicles, particularly sailboats, as effectively as Southern California painter Hugh Duncan. Here, the artist's pioneering approach is evident in the first-person vantage point and dynamic structure of his composition. Figures clad in foul weather gear struggle to change head sails as seawater pours over their boat's gunwale. The frenetic quality of the scene showcases both Duncan's technical mastery and lived experience as a sailor.

Dimensions

24 × 19 in. (61 × 48.3 cm) Framed: 31 1/4 × 26 1/8 × 1 1/2 in. (79.4 × 66.4 × 3.8 cm)