

Portrait Study of a Young Girl

Gilbert Spencer RA RWS





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Height: 36.5 cm (14.4") Width: 26.5 cm (10.4")

Framed Height: 56 cm (22")
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Description

More than his brother, portraiture was at the heart of Gilbert's oeuvre, as was the making of finished portraits in graphite. The two drawings listed on this website, one made in his early thirties and the other in his late forties, illustrate the durability of this practice throughout his career. The subject of the present, finely modelled and characterful drawing, rather resembles Stanley's daughter Shirin as seen in a photograph taken in 1929. Shirin was born in 1925, and the drawing is dated 1926. It is possible, but unlikely, that Gilbert signed the drawing in subsequent years and misremembered the date.

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