



Adam and Eve

Date

1504

Primary Maker

Albrecht Dürer

Medium

Engraving on paper

Description

A nude man and woman, Adam and Eve, are standing in an idealized pose with all the weight on one leg. They are depicted in front of trees among animals, including a cat, a mouse, a cow, an elk, a rabbit and a bird. Adam holds a branch with the signature of Dürer, while Eve holds a fruit in each of her hands, probably apples. With her right hand, she seems to offer a fruit to Adam, and a snake on

a branch between the two protagonists seems to be biting the fruit. This engraving represents the moment before the Fall with the apple of knowledge.

Dimensions

Sheet: 9 3/4 × 7 1/2 inches (24.8 × 19.1 cm) Framed: 22 9/16 × 16 5/8 × 1/2 inches (57.3 × 42.2 × 1.3 cm)