



**Unknown artisan. Plaque molded with four theatrical figures including Sarah Siddons and John Philip Kemble... Staffordshire, UK: s.n., ca. 1800. Folger ART 241085 (realia)**

This porcelain plate depicts one of the most famous pairs of actors to play the Macbeths, the brother-and-sister team John Philip Kemble and Sarah Siddons. Both actors, famous in the late 18th and early 19th centuries, were known for their skills in dramatic, tragic roles. Siddons' performance as Lady Macbeth was so acclaimed that during her retirement performance in 1812, the play ended after her sleepwalking scene.

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