



Navajo Mother and Child

Date

1955

Primary Maker

E. Martin Hennings

Medium

Oil on canvas

Description

A Navajo woman dressed in a red blouse, a teal skirt, and turquoise jewelry sits on an open plane in the dry New Mexico landscape. To her left is her baby, shaded by the white fabric it is wrapped up in as the mother holds it up to show it off. The facial features of both the mother and the child are painted with tight

brush strokes, giving the portrait a realistic likeness of the Navajo mother and child. The landscape is bare but warm with the tan shade of the soil contrasting against the cool blue of the expansive sky filled with puffy white clouds. - Maranda Nieman

Dimensions

Overall: 25 1/16 x 30 1/8 in. (63.7 x 76.5 cm) frame: 32 1/2 x 37 1/2 in. (82.6 x 95.3 cm)