## Purchase of a Portrait of Sir Richard Arkwright by Joseph Wright of Derby

The Harris Museum and Art Gallery, in partnership with the National Portrait Gallery, acquired a portrait of the industrialist Sir Richard Arkwright by Joseph Wright of Derby.

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£131,420
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## Rare Joseph Wright of Derby portrait of Richard Arkwright is acquired by London and Preston

The National Portrait Gallery and the Harris Museum & Art Gallery, Preston, are delighted to announce that they have acquired a portrait of the British engineer and inventor Sir Richard Arkwright by the painter Joseph Wright of Derby. The Galleries raised a total amount of £420,000, with the help of £132, 000 from the National Heritage Memorial Fund. The appeal was kick-started by The Art Fund - the UK's leading independent art charity - which gave £100,000 towards the purchase.