Macclesfield Psalter

Acquisition of the Macclesfield Psalter, following the decision of the Arts Minister to place a temporary bar on its export. The Psalter has been described as the most important discovery of any English illuminated manuscript in living memory. It is one of the most technically accomplished and best preserved products of the East Anglian school of illumination, which was at its height in the early fourteenth century

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Section of the Macclesfield Psalter

Nation/region

East of England

Grant awarded

£860,000

Award date

16/11/2004

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£1.7million had to be found by the 10 February 2005 deadline, and the money has finally been raised with just two weeks to go. If the Fitzwilliam's bid to buy the Psalter had failed, it would have departed for the Getty Museum, Los Angeles.