

HOW TO READ A MUSEUM LABEL



*George Washington, Ezra Ames (1768–1836),
Oil on canvas, 1826, Gift of the Gallery of Fine Arts, 1900.5.2*

- ***George Washington:*** Title of Painting, Print, Sculpture or Object
- ***Ezra Ames:*** Name of Artist or Maker
- ***(1768–1836):*** Birth and Death Dates of Artist or Maker
- ***Oil on canvas:*** Media, what material the artist used to make the painting, print sculpture or object
- ***1826:*** Year it was made
- ***Gift of the Gallery of Fine Arts:*** Donor Recognition, The person or place who donated the painting, print, sculpture or object to the museum, in this case the donor was the Gallery of Fine Arts
- ***1900.5.2:*** Acquisition Number
 - 1900 – The year the Museum received the object
 - 5 – the number of the gift, in this case, the 5th gift in 1900
 - 2 – There were at least two objects in the gift, but there might have been more