



Barthélemy d'Eyck

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- *The Aix Annunciation Triptych* (1443–1444) is widely celebrated as a masterpiece of fifteenth-century Western European painting
- Barthélemy d'Eyck has been accepted by most experts as the Master of *The Aix Annunciation*. He is also thought by many to be the Master of the Shadows, responsible for parts of the calendar of the *Très Riches Heures du Duc de Berry*
- This is the first monographical volume ever published on Barthélemy d'Eyck

The Aix Annunciation Triptych (1443–1444) is attributed to Barthélemy d'Eyck and is widely celebrated as a masterpiece of fifteenth-century Western European painting. Based on an in-depth study of the altarpiece, this book offers a more complete picture of the artist's artistic origins, career, workshop practice, and professional network.

Combining art-historical, archival, and technical approaches, this study brings together newly discovered documents and provides a reappraisal of the patron and the liturgical context of the work. Furthermore, it places the *Aix Annunciation Triptych* within the broader landscape of fifteenth-century Provençal altarpieces and presents the results of a material and technical analysis conducted on the surviving fragments. These findings resolve long-standing questions regarding the work's original format and significantly deepen our understanding of Barthélemy's artistic training and methods.

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