

Hook, James Clarke, artist. Othello's description of Desdemona / J.C. Hook. ca. 1852. Folger FPa38.

James Clarke Hook's painting illustrates Othello's description of Desdemona in Act 4, Scene 1 of the play: "Hang her, I do but say what she is! So/delicate with her needle, an admirable musician—/O, she will sing the savageness out of a bear!/Of so high and plenteous wit and invention!" (4.1.208-211)

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