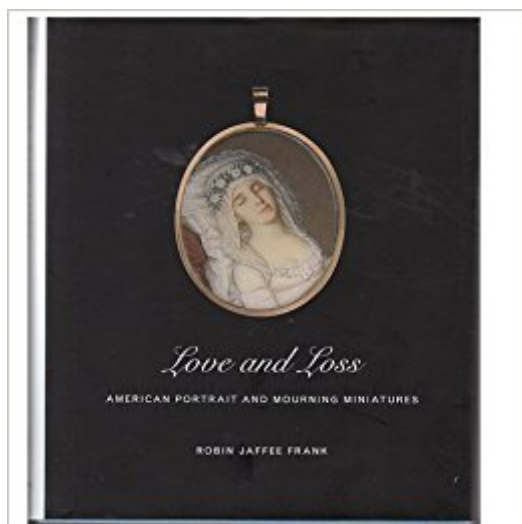


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I liked this book. Nice photos, good value. I can't say that I will go back and read it again, but it had decent information on the first read and great art.

Handsome book, the miniatures are reproduced at actual size which makes them come alive and allows the reader to really focus on each one. The book's smaller chunky format is refreshing and a nice change from the museum survey which would show multiple miniatures on a page making it easy to pass by some of them. Lovely book.

I began my interest in miniature paintings several years ago, but found that long searches on the internet rarely produced any new information on this topic. Owning about 4 "worthwhile" books in my collection on the subject, I anxiously awaited Robin Jaffe Frank's book (which I became aware was "in the works" about 6 months before publication). I hoped that this book would be the frosting on the cake of knowledge I possessed on miniatures. I was delighted to find it is the cake itself.

Miniature itself in size, it contains a whopping 358 pages packed with information and insights, along with plenty of full-size illustrations. It's presented in a format that can be easily followed, with many paintings also shown magnified to enhance the concept being presented. You will want to take

your time in reading and relishing this book, there's a lot of information here. Well worth the wait.

This is a wonderful book on American miniatures and mourning portraits. Ostensibly a catalogue of the Yale collection, it also gives a great history of miniatures in their cultural context, a discussion of miniature painters and processes, and a synopsis of the tradition of mourning items. Very well researched and well written. Beautiful pictures of miniatures, most at actual size, and many enlarged to reveal tiny details. This book is accessible to both scholars and the interested public.

Informative and well written with beautiful color photos of the miniatures. A book we'll treasure.

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