

BARTOLOMEO PASSAROTTI

(Bologna, 1529 - Bologna, 1592)

Head of Diana

inscribed lower left: *head of Diana*

pen and brown ink

328 x 228 mm

Provenance:

Karl-Heinrich Senger (Lugt 3556)

Private Collection, Germany

This drawing, made up of Passarotti's characteristic net of cross-hatchings, depicts Diana goddess of the hunt in profile. She wears a lunate crown to denote her auxiliary role as goddess of the moon and is adorned with heavy curls that sweep around her head, resurfacing again as if blown by the wind, in a manner evocative of Botticelli's Venus.

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