



Oiwa-san (The Ghost of Oiwa)

Date

c. 1831-1832 (printed 1920)

Primary Maker

Enji Takamizawa

Medium

Reproduction Ukiyo-e woodblock print

Description

Depicts Oiwa, the wife of samurai Tamiya Iemon. When a young woman named Oume falls in love with Iemon, her friends give Oiwa a gift of poisonous face cream to disfigure her. Tamiya Iemon then leaves Oiwa, and in her despair, she trips onto a sword while cursing Iemon's name. Oiwa haunts Iemon and takes on the shape of a paper lantern.

Dimensions

Composition: 13 x 9 in. (33 x 22.9 cm) Frame: 22 3/8 x 16 3/8 in. (56.8 x 41.6 cm)