



The Wild Young Man (ca. 1815). The earliest known image of the future president, this miniature portrait of Andrew Jackson was made in 1815 by Jean-François de la Vallée, an artist active in New Orleans between 1808 and 1818. Jackson presented it to Edward Livingston, a friend and future Secretary of State who had served as Jackson’s aide at New Orleans. The accompanying note, written by Jackson reads: “Mr. E. Livingston is requested to accept this picture as a mark of the sense I entertain of his public services, and a token of my private friendship and esteem. Head quarters N. Orleans May 1st. 1815. Andrew Jackson” Source: Historic Hudson Valley.