

CONSERVATION CONDITION & TREATMENT PROPOSAL

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OBJECT NUMBER IV.17

OBJECT TITLE Chasuble

DATE OF REPORT 3/9/2023

LOCATION Mission San Gabriel Arcangel



MEASUREMENTS:

	Back Length	Front Length	Shoulder Width	Hem Width			
in	48.5	39.5	17.5	29.5			
ft	4.04	3.29	1.46	2.46			
cm	123.19	100.33	44.45	74.93			

FABRICATION MATERIALS:

Silk satin, silk embroidery, metallic embroidery, coiled metal embroidery, sequins and beads.

DESCRIPTION NOTES:

18th C. Chasuble heavily embellished with metal embroidery, beads and sequins on a silk satin ground. The original fabrication included an adhesive support on the reverse of the embellished surface. A linen interfacing is present as is the original linen lining, cut away underneath a replacement silk lining.

OVERALL GENERAL CONDITION:

Inherently fragile, small losses of beads, sequins, coiled metal, and painted foil throughout. The silk threads that secure the embellishment details is friable and the weight of the elements is causing breakage and loss. The replacement silk lining is causing distortion to the embellished original chasuble.

PREVIOUS TREATMENT:

A replacement lining is hand sewn around the reverse perimeter. Support stitching is noted under the replacement lining where the original lining has been cut away from the edges.

TREATMENT GOAL:

Support for short-term display on a dress form.

TREATMENT STEPS

- remove the replacement silk lining
- add support straps to the reverse of the Chasuble at the vertical embroidered sections.
- stabilize loose embellishment elements throughout, as possible
- add a new light weight cotton lining
- work with the mount maker regarding size and volume appropriate to support the Chasuble



Loose and lost embellishment elements.



Original lining beneath the replacement.



Original adhesive stabilizer, degraded and flaking.

TREATMENT COST

<u>CONSERVATOR HOURS</u>	40
<u>CONSERVATOR RATE</u>	\$125.00

Materials	\$25.00
Conservator	<u>\$5,025.00</u>
Total	\$5,050.00

Front embellishment detail.



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Lost sequins and coiled metal.



Lost painted metal foil, sequins and coiled metal embroidery.



Back embellishment detail.

