



Hooked Rug (Central Asian carpet design)

Date

Late 19th or early 20th century

Primary Maker

Artist not recorded

Medium

Wool, silk, synthetic fabrics

Description

A 5 x 7 foot rug that clearly draws inspiration from various Asian sources combined idiosyncratically. The overall design mimics the stepped arch of a Muslim prayer rug, but also incorporates Chinese auspicious seals reading “Good Fortune” (fu) and “Long Life” (shou), which is rendered upside-down, so likely copied. Design also depicts two rows of sideways diamonds in yellow, orange,

and off-white with circular flowers on the inside of the diamonds.

Dimensions

84 × 60 in. (213.3604 × 152.4003 cm)