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Our Hero! George Washington in the Winterthur collection...

Q&A: Who is that man, and why is he dressed like a soldier? This famous oil painting shows George Washington when he was the commander-in-chief of the Continental Army. The picture shows General Washington during the Revolutionary War, while he reviewed French troops at Verplanck’s Point in New York in 1782. (In the distance, you may be able to see tents and a soldier on horseback.)

Learn more: The artist John Trumbull completed this portrait in 1790 as a gift to Washington’s wife, Martha. It hung for many years in the Banqueting Room at the couple’s home, Mount Vernon, in Virginia. The artist’s father was a friend of Washington’s and governed Connecticut during the Revolutionary War. Visit our online collections.

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