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The Queen is caught in a moment of reflection on the spot where she was crowned 60 years ago in a new portrait acquired by Westminster Abbey. The 9ft by 11ft work by

Ralph Heimans shows the monarch alone at

night in the abbey. Heimans said he wanted to capture "a moment of stillness and contemplation" that would invite viewers to imagine what the Queen "might be thinking and feeling" as she looks back on her reign. "It was an amazing experience to meet the Queen and I was very impressed by her... I wanted the public to engage with her emotionally," said Heimans. The painting will go on show this week at the Chapter House.