

Pierre Cordier:

An Inventory of His Photography Collection at the Harry Ransom Center

Descriptive Summary

Creator:	Cordier, Pierre, 1933-
Title:	Pierre Cordier Photography Collection
Dates:	1958-1976
Extent:	13 items
Abstract:	The collection consists of thirteen abstract images by Pierre Cordier using the chemigram process.
Call Number:	Photography Collection PH-00057
Language:	English
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Administrative Information

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Sources

"The Chemigram: Definition," *Pierre Cordier*, accessed 18 May 2017, <http://www.pierrecordier.com/15.html>.

Scope and Contents

The collection consists of thirteen abstract images by Pierre Cordier (Belgian, born 1933) using the chemigram process. The process was invented by Cordier in 1956, and involves painting with varnish, wax, or oil onto photosensitive paper and exposing the paper using direct light, without the use of a camera or enlarger.

Related Material

Additional works by Corider can be found in the collections of the J. Paul Getty Museum, the Museum of Modern Art, and the Victoria and Albert Museum.

Index Terms

People

Brassens, Georges, 1921-1981.
Cordier, Pierre, 1933-.
Gernsheim, Helmut, 1913-1995.
Muybridge, Eadweard, 1830-1904.
Man Ray, 1890-1976.

Document Types

Photomechanical prints.

- Accession Number: 978:0103:0001** Chimigramme, 1958. Chemigram, 40.5 x 29.9 cm (image). **Location**
Cordier,
P. Box 1
- Accession Number: 978:0103:0002** Chimigramme, hommage a Georges Brassens, 1965. Chemigram, 28.9 x 34.6 cm (image); 30.2 x 34.6 cm (sheet).
- Accession Number: 978:0103:0003** J.35, 1966. Chemigram, 16.4 x 22.9 cm (image); 30.2 x 39.6 cm (sheet).
- Accession Number: 978:0103:0004** Y.35, 1966. Chemigram, 16.2 x 22.9 cm (image); 30 x 39.8 cm (sheet).
- Accession Number: 978:0103:0005** Photogramme, hommage a Man Ray I, June 1969. Chemigram, 29.6 x 37.2 cm (image). **Location**
Cordier,
P. Box 2
- Accession Number: 978:0103:0006** Chimigramme, image originale unique, 14 May 1970. Chemigram, 39.5 x 49.6 cm (image); 48 x 59.7 cm (sheet).
- Accession Number: 978:0103:0007** Y.35 Chimigramme, 17 October 1970. Chemigram, 23 x 29.1 cm (image); 23.9 x 30.1 cm (sheet). **Location**
Cordier,
P. Box 1
- Accession Number: 978:0103:0008** Chimigramme, 10 February 1971. Chemigram, 54.3 x 43.2 cm (image); 59.7 x 47.8 cm (sheet). **Location**
Cordier,
P. Box 2
- Accession Number: 978:0103:0009** Chimigramme, 21 September 1972. Chemigram, 26.3 x 36 cm (image); 30.5 x 40 cm (sheet). **Location**
Cordier,
P. Box 1
- Accession Number: 978:0103:0010** Chimigramme, hommage a Muybridge, 20 October 1975. Chemigram, 27.8 x 19 cm (image); 39.9 x 30 cm (sheet).
- Accession Number: 978:0103:0011** Chimigramme, to Helmut Gernsheim, 30 October 1975. Chemigram, 14.6 x 14 cm (image); 23 x 23 cm (sheet).
- Accession Number: 978:0103:0012** Chimigramme, hommage a Muybridge, 7 November 1975. Chemigram, 27.8 x 19.2 cm (image); 39.5 x 30.5 cm (sheet).

Accession Number: 978:0103:0013 Chimigramme, hommage au docteur Land, 16 May 1976. Chemigram, 39.3 x 29.6 cm (image); 39.9 x 30.3 cm (sheet).