



Alfred Stieglitz
American, 1864 - 1946

Spring Showers—The Street-Cleaner

1900/1901, printed 1903/1904

photogravure on beige thin slightly textured laid Japanese paper

image: 31 x 12.7 cm (12 3/16 x 5 in.)

sheet (trimmed to mount): 36.2 x 15.9 cm (14 1/4 x 6 1/4 in.)

mat: 63.5 x 47 cm (25 x 18 1/2 in.)

Alfred Stieglitz Collection 1949.3.259

Stieglitz Estate Number 127A

Key Set Number 269

KEY SET ENTRY

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Alfred Stieglitz
Spring Showers, New York
1900/1901, printed 1911
photogravure
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Street Sweeper and Little Tree
1900/1901, printed 1929/1932
gelatin silver print
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Alfred Stieglitz
Street Sweeper and Little Tree
1900/1901, printed 1929/1932
gelatin silver print
Key Set Number 272

Remarks

This photograph was taken on Madison Avenue near 23rd Street.

Stieglitz Collections

A corresponding print was given to the following institution(s) by Alfred Stieglitz during his lifetime, or was received or acquired from the estate:

Spring Showers—The Street-Cleaner

The Art Institute of Chicago, 1949.849

Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Yale University, New Haven

George Eastman Museum, Rochester, 74:0052:0062

Library of Congress, Washington, PH-09 B

The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, 49.55.14 (inscribed: Spring Showers / Proof by / Alfred Stieglitz)

Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, 50.831

Philadelphia Museum of Art, 1949-18-51

San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, 52.1855

Lifetime Exhibitions

A print from the same negative—perhaps a photograph from the Gallery’s collection—appeared in the following exhibition(s) during Alfred Stieglitz’s lifetime:

- 1901, London (no. 228, as *Spring Showers—The Street Cleaner*)
- 1902, New York (no. 137, as *Spring Showers—The Street Sweeper*, 1901)
- 1904, Washington (no. 130, as *Spring Showers*)
- 1904, Pittsburgh (no. 221, as *Spring Showers*)
- 1904, Paris (no. 668, as *Giboulées de printemps*, platinum)
- 1904, The Hague (no. 117, as *Spring Showers*)
- 1905, Worcester (no. 386, as *Spring Showers*)
- 1909, Dresden (no. 174, as *Spring Showers, New York*)
- 1910, Buffalo (no. 428, as *Spring Showers, New York*, 1899, photogravure)
- 1913, New York (no. 11, as *Spring Showers, New York*, 1899)
- 1921, New York (no. 14, as *Spring Showers, New York*, 1899)
- 1924, New York (no. 58, as *Spring Showers*, 1899)
- 1932, New York (no. 35, as *Street Sweeper and Little Tree*, 1896)
- 1944, Philadelphia (no. 15, as *Spring Showers, New York*, 1898–1900?)

Lifetime Publications

A reproduction of this work appeared in the following publication(s) during Alfred Stieglitz’s lifetime:

oe NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART ONLINE EDITIONS
Alfred Stieglitz Key Set

Camera Notes 5:3 (January 1902): 183 (ill., *Spring Showers, The Sweeper*)

Outdoor Life 11 (January 1903): 32 (ill., *Spring Showers*)

John Corbin, "The Twentieth Century City," *Scribner's Magazine* 33:3 (March 1903): 263 (ill., *Spring Showers—The Street Cleaner, Madison Square, near Twenty-third Street*)

The Work of Alfred Stieglitz [published by *Camera Notes*] (New York, 1904): unnumbered (ill., *Spring Showers—The Street-cleaner*, photogravure)

J. Nilsen Laurvik, "Alfred Stieglitz, Pictorial Photographer," *The International Studio* 44:174 (August 1911): 25 (ill., *Spring Showers*)

Camera Work 36 (October 1911): pl. 16 (ill., *Spring Showers, New York, 1900*)

Georgia Engelhard, "Alfred Stieglitz, Master Photographer," *American Photography* 39 (April 1945): 8 (ill., *Spring Showers, N.Y.*)

INSCRIPTION

by Alfred Stieglitz, on print, lower left, in graphite: "Spring Showers"; lower right, in graphite: Alfred Stieglitz; on backing board: center verso, in black ink on International Photographic Exhibition label: 11) Spring Showers—New York (1898) / Alfred Stieglitz / 1111 Madison Avenue, New York; upper center verso, in black ink, on Alfred Stieglitz Collection label: Alfred Stieglitz / Original Proof / Gravure / Stieglitz Exh. Photo-Secession Gallery / 1913—Dresden, 1909—Albright Gallery / 1910; printed on label: 11. Spring Showers, New York—1899; upper right verso: 1944 Philadelphia Museum of Art label

PROVENANCE

Georgia O'Keeffe; gift to NGA, 1949.

EXHIBITION HISTORY

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1983 Photographs by Alfred Stieglitz, National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC, February 3–May 8, 1983; Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, June 17–August 14, 1983; The Art Institute of Chicago, October 18, 1983–January 3, 1984

1992 Stieglitz in the Darkroom, National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC, October 4, 1992–February 14, 1993

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- 1994 Bender, Thomas, and Carl E. Schorske, eds. *Budapest and New York: Studies in Metropolitan Transformation, 1870–1930*. New York, 1994: fig. 11.1.
- 2002 Greenough, Sarah. *Alfred Stieglitz: The Key Set: The Alfred Stieglitz Collection of Photographs*. Washington, 2002: vol. 1, cat. 269.
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