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Women and the Index of American Design

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Exhibition Organization and Support:

The exhibition is organized by the National Gallery of Art, Washington.

Exhibition Curator(s):

The exhibition is curated by Amy Johnston, associate curator of collections, department of old master drawings, National Gallery of Art.

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Object ID: 5964-001

Arlene Perkins and Charlotte Winter

Applique Bedspread, c. 1941

watercolor and gouache over graphite on paperboard

overall: 50.3 x 57.8 cm (19 13/16 x 22 3/4 in.)

Original IAD Object: 100" wide; 88" long

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1943.8.2589



Object ID: 5964-002

Dorothee L. Bates

Appliqued Quilt, 1935/1942

watercolor, graphite, and pen and ink on paperboard

overall: 64.8 x 53.6 cm (25 1/2 x 21 1/8 in.)

Original IAD Object: 84" long; 60" wide

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1943.8.2746



Object ID: 5964-003

Sylvia Dezon, and Mina Lowry

Star of Bethlehem Quilt, c. 1940

watercolor, graphite, and pen and ink on paperboard

overall: 58.2 x 55.3 cm (22 15/16 x 21 3/4 in.)

Original IAD Object: 82" square

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1943.8.2788



Object ID: 5964-004

Irene Lawson

"Poke" Bonnet, c. 1935/1942

watercolor and graphite on paperboard

overall: 57.9 x 44.6 cm (22 13/16 x 17 9/16 in.)

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1943.8.2835



Object ID: 5964-005

Syrena Swanson

Ecclesiastical Vestment, c. 1937

watercolor, graphite, and gold ink on paper

Original IAD Object: 42" long; 23" wide

National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.2862



Object ID: 5964-006

Charlotte Angus

Pennsylvania German Show Towel, n.d.

watercolor and graphite on paper

overall: 55.9 x 42.2 cm (22 x 16 5/8 in.)

Original IAD Object: 17 1/4" wide; 55" long

National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.2898



Object ID: 5964-007

Helen Bronson

Shaker Hair Wreath, c. 1938

watercolor, pen and ink, and graphite on paperboard

overall: 43.7 x 25.4 cm (17 3/16 x 10 in.)

Original IAD Object: 13" wide; 21 1/2" long

National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.3949



Object ID: 5964-008

Rosa Rivero

Triangular Corner Safe, c. 1941

watercolor, color pencil, and graphite on paperboard

overall: 50.7 x 40.6 cm (19 15/16 x 16 in.)

Original IAD Object: 7'9" high; 3'9" wide; 8" deep

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1943.8.5901



Object ID: 5964-009

Hal Blakeley

Stone Doorway, Carved, 1940

watercolor, colored pencil, and graphite on paper

overall: 35.5 x 26.6 cm (14 x 10 1/2 in.)

Original IAD Object: none given

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1943.8.5940



Object ID: 5964-010

Juanita Donahoo

Doorway and Wall Painting, c. 1941

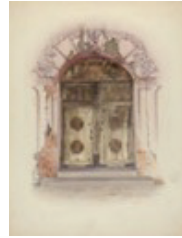
watercolor, colored pencil, and graphite on paper

overall: 35.5 x 26.7 cm (14 x 10 1/2 in.)

Original IAD Object: Doors overall: 12' high x 8' wide

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1943.8.5961



Object ID: 5964-011

Rose Campbell-Gerke

Individual Container for Indian's Daily Portion of Food, c. 1940

watercolor, colored pencil, and graphite on paper

overall: 35.4 x 27.8 cm (13 15/16 x 10 15/16 in.)

Original IAD Object: 6 1/4" high; 3" diam. top; 2 1/4" diam., base.

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1943.8.6655



Object ID: 5964-012

Margaret Gordon

Jar: For Salt, Meat, or Lard, c. 1939

watercolor, graphite, and pen and ink on paperboard

overall: 38 x 28 cm (14 15/16 x 11 in.)

Original IAD Object: 27 1/2" high; 78 1/2" circum (max); 41" circum (base); 18 3/4" dia (inside mth)

National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design

1943.8.7397



Object ID: 5964-013

Charlotte Angus

Pa. German Birth Certificate, c. 1939

watercolor, colored pencil, and graphite on paper

overall: 34 x 43.2 cm (13 3/8 x 17 in.)

Original IAD Object: Exact size

National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design

1943.8.7585



Object ID: 5964-014

Molly Bodenstein

Doll, c. 1938

watercolor, gouache, and graphite on paper

overall: 54.2 x 35.1 cm (21 5/16 x 13 13/16 in.)

Original IAD Object: 16" high

National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design

1943.8.7818



Object ID: 5964-015
Laura Bilodeau
Butcher's Shop Sign, c. 1939
watercolor, graphite, and pen and ink on paperboard
overall: 38.1 x 54.4 cm (15 x 21 7/16 in.)
Original IAD Object: 32" long
National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.8042



Object ID: 5964-016
Vera Van Voris
Barber Pole, c. 1939
watercolor, graphite, heightening, colored pencil, and pen and ink on paperboard
overall: 35.5 x 27.8 cm (14 x 10 15/16 in.)
Original IAD Object: 8" high
National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.8052

Object ID: 5964-018
Dorothy Hay Jensen
Dragon Weather Vane, 1935/1942
watercolor, pen and ink, and colored pencil on paper
overall: 34.4 x 47.1 cm (13 9/16 x 18 9/16 in.)
Original IAD Object: 75" long
National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.8070



Object ID: 5964-019
Hazel Hyde
Billethead from Ship "Favorite", c. 1938
watercolor, colored pencil, and graphite on paperboard
overall: 27.8 x 38.2 cm (10 15/16 x 15 1/16 in.)
Original IAD Object: 22" high
National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.8077

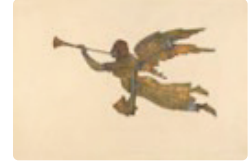


Object ID: 5964-021
Marian Page
Rooster Woodcarving, c. 1940
watercolor, gouache, and colored pencil on paperboard
overall: 42.2 x 34.6 cm (16 5/8 x 13 5/8 in.)
Original IAD Object: 10" high
National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.8111

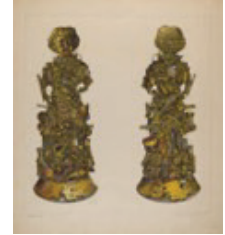


Object ID: 5964-022
Hester Duany
Butter Worker, c. 1941
watercolor and graphite on paperboard
overall: 35.5 x 28 cm (14 x 11 in.)
Original IAD Object: 8 3/4" high; 4 11/16" wide; 4" deep
National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.9024

Object ID: 5964-023
Lucille Chabot
Gabriel Weather Vane, c. 1939
watercolor and gouache over graphite on wove paper
overall: 36.2 x 52.4 cm (14 1/4 x 20 5/8 in.)
National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.9505



Object ID: 5964-024
Florence Truelson
Figure, 1935/1942
watercolor, colored pencil, and graphite on paper
overall: 58 x 50.8 cm (22 13/16 x 20 in.)
National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.10137



Object ID: 5964-025
Rose Campbell-Gerke
Stone Gate Post, c. 1939
watercolor and graphite on paperboard
overall: 35.7 x 24.4 cm (14 1/16 x 9 5/8 in.)
National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.11373



Object ID: 5964-026
Rose Campbell-Gerke
Stone Gate Post, c. 1939
watercolor, colored pencil, and graphite on paperboard
overall: 35.8 x 24.4 cm (14 1/8 x 9 5/8 in.)
National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.11375



Object ID: 5964-028
Rose Campbell-Gerke
Antique Liquor Keg, c. 1941
watercolor, graphite, and colored pencil on paperboard
overall: 23.3 x 27.4 cm (9 3/16 x 10 13/16 in.)
National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.11962



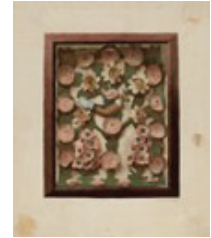
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Selma Sandler
Pa. German Pins, 1935/1942
watercolor and graphite on paper
overall: 32.2 x 42.5 cm (12 11/16 x 16 3/4 in.)
National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.13007



Object ID: 5964-030
Regina Henderer
Sewing Basket, c. 1938
watercolor, gouache, and graphite on paperboard
overall: 23.1 x 30.5 cm (9 1/8 x 12 in.)
Original IAD Object: 6" high; 6" wide; 2" deep
National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.13505



Object ID: 5964-032
Inez McCombs
Valentine in Shadow Box, c. 1938
watercolor and graphite on paper
overall: 36.5 x 30.6 cm (14 3/8 x 12 1/16 in.)
Original IAD Object: 24" high; 18" wide
National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.15933



Object ID: 5964-033
Suzanne Chapman
Valance, 1935/1942
watercolor and graphite on paper
overall: 33 x 54.8 cm (13 x 21 9/16 in.)
Original IAD Object: 11 1/4" high; 20 1/2" long
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1943.8.2519



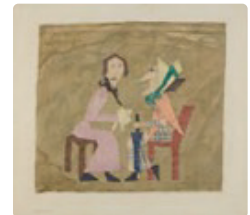
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Flora G. Guerra
Money Bag, 1935/1942
watercolor, graphite, and colored pencil on paper
overall: 34.9 x 25.5 cm (13 3/4 x 10 1/16 in.)
National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.2205



Object ID: 5964-035
Rose Campbell-Gerke
Inlaid Spur, c. 1937
watercolor, graphite, colored pencil, and pen and ink
overall: 27.9 x 35.4 cm (11 x 13 15/16 in.)
Original IAD Object: 6" long; 3" wide
National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.1860



Object ID: 5964-036
Carmel Wilson
Patchwork Picture: "Gossips", c. 1938
watercolor and graphite on paper
overall: 35.7 x 38.6 cm (14 1/16 x 15 3/16 in.)
Original IAD Object: 10 3/4" high; 11 7/8" wide
National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.528



Object ID: 5964-037

Esther Molina

Crazy Quilt: Detail, c. 1942

watercolor and graphite on paper

overall: 45.7 x 35.7 cm (18 x 14 1/16 in.)

Original IAD Object: 78" square

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1943.8.467



Object ID: 5964-038

Carmel Wilson

Silk Couch Cover, c. 1938

watercolor and graphite on paperboard

overall: 29.2 x 36.5 cm (11 1/2 x 14 3/8 in.)

National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design

1943.8.347



Object ID: 5964-039

Elizabeth Moutal

Mortar and Pestles, c. 1937

watercolor with white heightening over graphite on paper

overall: 31.4 x 54.8 cm (12 3/8 x 21 9/16 in.)

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1943.8.16712



Object ID: 5964-040

Josephine C. Romano and Hal Blakeley

Ecclesiastical Vestment, c. 1939

watercolor, graphite, and gold ink on paper

Original IAD Object: 42" long; 23" wide

National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design

1943.8.16745



Object ID: 5964-042

Rose Campbell-Gerke

Spur and Rowel, 1935/1942

watercolor, graphite, and pen and ink on paperboard

overall: 27.8 x 35.4 cm (10 15/16 x 13 15/16 in.)

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1943.8.17168



Object ID: 5964-043

Selma Sandler

Rocking Horse, c. 1941

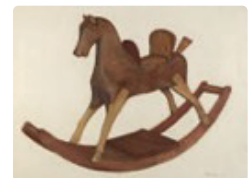
watercolor, graphite, and pen and ink on paperboard

overall: 43.8 x 57.6 cm (17 1/4 x 22 11/16 in.)

Original IAD Object: 26 3/4" high; 43" long

National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design

1943.8.17308



Object ID: 5964-044

Lucille Chabot

Gabriel Weather Vane (Technique), 1935/1942

watercolor and graphite on paperboard

overall: 28 x 40.7 cm (11 x 16 in.)

National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.17977



Object ID: 5964-045

Hal Blakeley

Saddle, c. 1941

watercolor and graphite on paper

overall: 35.6 x 26.7 cm (14 x 10 1/2 in.)

Original IAD Object: 27" long

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1943.8.17983



Object ID: 5964-046

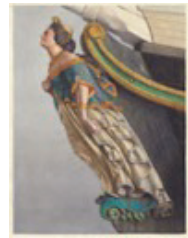
Elizabeth Moutal

Figurehead, c. 1937

watercolor and graphite on paper

overall: 47.5 x 35.3 cm (18 11/16 x 13 7/8 in.)

National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.17988



Object ID: 5964-047

Dolores Haupt

Crazy Quilt, c. 1938

watercolor, pen and ink, and gouache on paper

overall: 44.2 x 57.2 cm (17 3/8 x 22 1/2 in.)

National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.2572



Object ID: 5964-048

Gordena Jackson

Indian Basket, 1935/1942

watercolor, graphite, gold ink, and silver ink on paperboard

overall: 68.6 x 50.8 cm (27 x 20 in.)

Original IAD Object: 16" long; 9 1/2" deep

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1943.8.8118



Object ID: 5964-049

Elizabeth Moutal

Knitted Glove, c. 1936

watercolor and graphite on paper

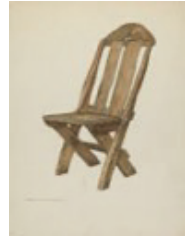
overall: 32.7 x 28.9 cm (12 7/8 x 11 3/8 in.)

National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.16796

Object ID: 5964-050
Loraine Makimson
Fire Extinguisher, c. 1940
watercolor, colored pencil, and graphite on paperboard
overall: 35.7 x 24.6 cm (14 1/16 x 9 11/16 in.)
National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.11164



Object ID: 5964-051
Rose Campbell-Gerke
Miner's Chair—Hand Made, c. 1940
watercolor, colored pencil, and graphite on paperboard
overall: 35.5 x 26.7 cm (14 x 10 1/2 in.)
Original IAD Object: seat 15"x15"; legs 18"; center of bk. 24 1/2"; sides 20"
National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.7556



Object ID: 5964-052
Eldora P. Lorenzini
Bulto, 1938
watercolor and pen and ink, over graphite with scraping on paper
overall: 55.9 x 40.2 cm (22 x 15 13/16 in.)
Original IAD Object: 11" high; 10 3/4 wide
National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.16638

Object ID: 5964-053
Eldora P. Lorenzini
Santo, 1938
watercolor, colored pencil, and graphite on paper
overall: 56 x 40.6 cm (22 1/16 x 16 in.)
Original IAD Object: 24 1/2" high
National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.6959



Object ID: 5964-054
Vera Van Voris
Receptacle for Peanut Oil, c. 1939
watercolor, graphite, and pen and ink on paperboard
overall: 35.5 x 28 cm (14 x 11 in.)
Original IAD Object: 21 1/4" high; 2 5/8" wide
National Gallery of Art, Index of American Design
1943.8.13374

