Icons of Folk Art



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Bill Traylor (1854-1947) Black Bear Circa 1939-1942 Poster paint and graphite on cardboard. 11 1/4" x 15 1/4" unframed. See: <u>Unfiltered</u>, pg. 65 Provenance: Ricco/Maresca

Bill Traylor (1854-1947) Woman Pointing Circa 1939-1942 Poster paint and graphite on cardboard. 14 1/2" x 11" unframed. See: <u>Unfiltered</u>, pg. 50 Provenance: Ricco/Maresca





Bill Traylor (1854-1947)
Mexican Man with Suitcase
Circa 1939-1942
Poster paint and graphite on cardboard.
13 3/4" x 7 1/4" unframed.
See: <u>Unfiltered</u>, pg. 51
Provenance: Ricco/Maresca



Bill Traylor (1854-1947)
Man with Stick (Pipe)
Circa 1939-1942
Poster paint and graphite on cardboard.
13 1/2" x 8" unframed.
See: <u>Unfiltered</u>, pg. 24
Provenance: Ricco/Maresca



Bill Traylor (1854-1947)
Owl
Circa 1939-1942
Poster paint and graphite on
cardboard.
9" x 7" unframed.
See: <u>Unfiltered</u>, pg. 41
Provenance: Ricco/Maresca



Bill Traylor (1854-1947)
Black Pig with Blue Eyes
Circa 1939-42 Poster paint on found cardboard.
11.75" x 11.75" unframed.
Provenance: Charles Shannon
to Hirschl & Adler to Karsten Greve
to Ricco/Maresca to Courtright/Bruno Romeda

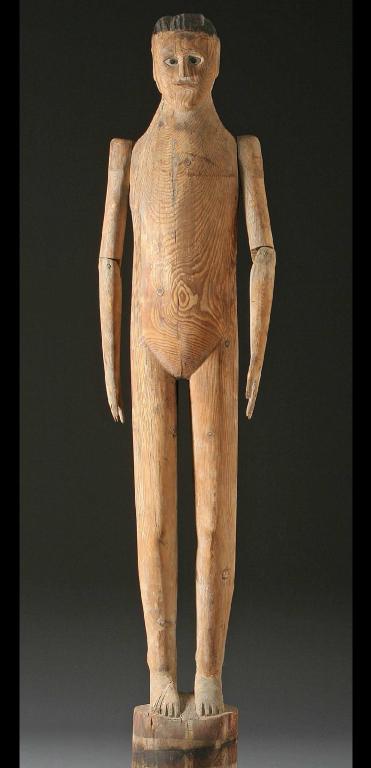
Bee Man Whirligig
Circa 1900
Wood, tin, wire and original polychrome.
7" w x 22.5" h x 20" d
Ex Mendelsohn Collection











Male Mannequin
American
Circa 1900
Trade figure of a man with
articulated arms.
Carved spruce with remains
of original paint.
9" diameter of base, 63"h x 14"w
Ex Mendelsohn Collection





Mannequin
Circa 1940
Anonymous
Found in Midwest
Wood and polychrome. Life-sized.
12.5"w x 51" h x 12"d
Ex Mendelsohn Collection
See: American Primitive, pg. 23
and Intuitive Eye, pg. 78



Four Cloth Dolls
Mid 19th century
Unidentified maker
Cloth with glass beads, hair and yarn. Hand stitched faces.
4.5 " w x 11" h x 1.5" d Ex Briskin Collection See: Just Folk Briskin Family Collection, pg. 83



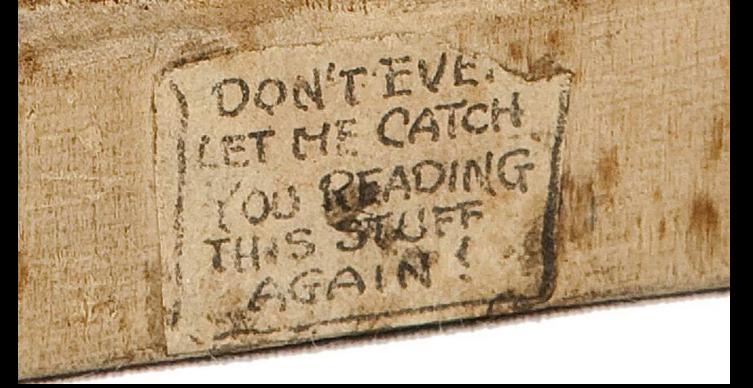




Carved Wood Figures and Animals 1880-1900 Pennsylvania Set of three scenaria:

"A Good Man is Hard to Find"

"Careful Man, Better Let Me Take Um Off" "Don't Ever Let Me Catch You Reading This Stuff Again!"







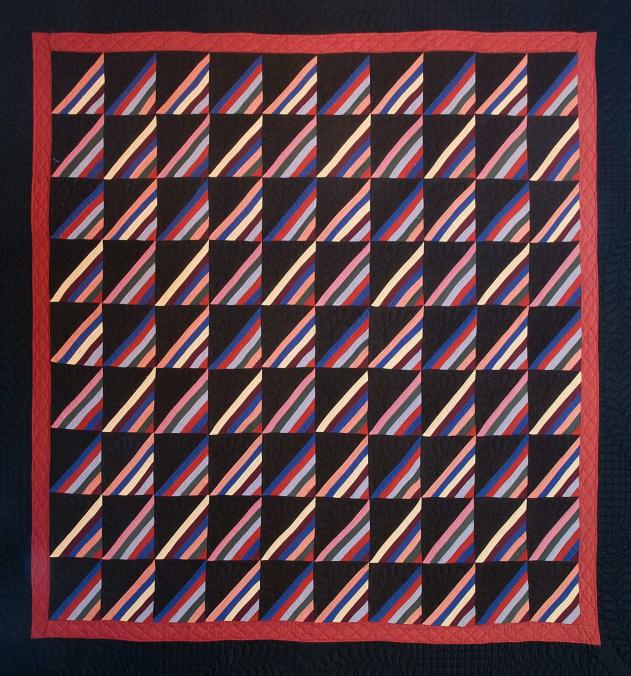
Carved Horse Diptych Shadow Box
Unidentified Maker
Midwest Circa 1940-1950
Each race horse carved in the likeness of the year's Kentucky Derby winner. Original paint and varnished wood. Hinged for tabletop display.
40 1/4" w x 32" h x 3" d
Provenance: Ricco/Maresca





Portrait of a Singing Woman
Circa 1925-1930
Wood and polychrome, hammered brass frame.
This relief carving of a woman singing once held a manually operated music box.
Signed; "Nick V.M." 16"w x 20" h x 2"d
Ex Mendelsohn Collection See: American
Vernacular, pg. 151

Amish Roman Stripes
Quilt
Made by Mary Yoder
Circa 1930
Holmes County, Ohio
74" x 80"
mounted
Provenance:
Ricco -Johnson
Gallery 1985
Ex Jennifer and Denny
Crimmins Collection



Gameboard
Circa 1870 American
Eight by eight playing field,
comprised of
red and white squares divided
by gold pinstriping,
surrounded by a blue band and
embellished with gold stars. Entire
wood board enclosed in applied
raised frame. Constructed with
square nails.
Completely original condition
with expected
wear and oxidation.
15" x 15" x 2"





Early Fairground Target Game Board English Circa 1930 Hand painted wood and metal. 41" h x 39.5" w Provenance: Robert Young

Architectural Plaques
Circa 1875 Wood and polychrome
Unusual pair of carved and painted plaques
used originally as interior architectual
ornaments. One figure is African American
with large hand. Other is a
white male with truncated torso
6.5"w x 27"h x 3"d
Ex Mendelsohn Collection







Horse with White Fetlocks
Late 19th century - Early 20th century
Wood with polychrome, horsehair and iron horseshoes.
32"h x 35"l Ex Edie Briskin Collection See: American Primitive, pg. 205



Index Horse Weathervane
19th century Rare small size
Molded copper and zinc. Attributed to J. Howard & Co. Bridgewater, MA
18"w x 15"h x 3"d Provenance: Christies





Heads of Four Men
Anonymous Circa 1875
Pine with Polychrome.
Thought to be portraits of the founders
of a corporation
in Albany, New York.
Weathering suggests that they were
mounted under a gable in front
of a building.
22"h x 10.5"w x 10.5"d

Ex William Greenspon / Ex Barry Briskin Collection See: <u>American Primitive</u>, pg. 79











George Smart of Frant English Circa 1835 "Old Bright" Paper and fabric collage within original frame. 11.5"w x 13.5" h Provenance: Robert Young



George Smart of Frant English Circa 1835 "Goosewoman" Paper and fabric collage within original frame. 11.5"w x 13.5"h Provenance: Robert Young



Banner Weathervane
Circa 1840-1860
Whitehall, New York
Forged Iron with black paint
and gilding.
20"w x 60 5/8"h x 2"d
Ex Edie Briskin Collection
See: American Vernacular,
pg. 288



Tobacconist Figure
Circa 1920-30
Wood with polychrome.
45.75"h Base 12"w
Ex Edie Briskin Collection
See: American Primitive,
pg. 27

Pair of Monumental
Whirligigs
Circa 1880
Wood and polychrome.
22.25"w x 38"h x 6"d
Ex Edie Briskin Collection
See: American Vernacular,
pgs. 292-293











Hooked Rug with Two Girls and Cherries
Late 19th century Early 20th century
Embroidery and
intricate stitching in
Waldoboro Style;
a unique three
dimensional hooking
technique.
37"w x 23.5"h x 2"d
Ex Briskin Collection
See: Just Folk Briskin
Family Collection,
pg.15







Boy in Box
Georgia
Circa 1900
Pine and composite with polychrome.
Sliding lid.
4"w x 8"h x 2" d
See: American Vernacular, pg. 148



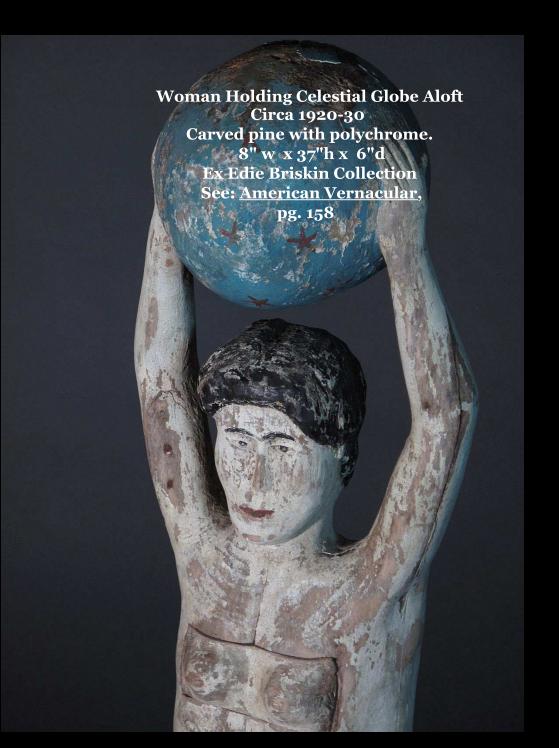
Topsy Turvy Doll Circa 1900 Unidentified maker Carved wood, polychrome and fabric.



Doll originally wore a skirt to conceal each head when it was upended. 16" x 5" x 3"  $\,$  Ex Mendelsohn Collection



Featured on cover of <u>American Primitive</u>. See: <u>American Vernacular</u>, pg. 124 and <u>Intuitive Eye</u>, pg. 66







Pair of Whirligigs
Late 19th century
Ex Museum Collection
Ottawa, Kansas
One, a Civil War soldier,
the other, a Police Officer.
Each with alternate hats.
7" w x 22"h x 20" d





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