

The Fronte Unitario Omosessuale

Rivoluzionario Italiano at a demonstration in a Piazza

Date

1969-1979

Medium

gelatin silver print

Description

The Fronte Unitario Omosessuale Rivoluzionario Italiano (Italian revolutionary homosexual united front) with their slogan F.U.O.R.I! (Come out!) Mario Mieli was a leading figure in the Italian gay movement of the 1970s. In 1972, Mieli helped found the collective Fronte Unitario Omosessuale Rivoluzionario Italiano (Italian revolutionary homosexual united front). Better known by its acronym F.U.O.R.I! (Come out!), it was Italy's first major gay-rights group. Started in Turin in 1971, F.U.O.R.I! appeared almost simultaneously in Rome, Padua, Venice and in Milan, where Mieli was an organizer. After the collective united with the Italian Radical Party, Mario criticized the move as "counter-revolutionary," since he thought the gay movement should remain independent of political parties. He left the organization over political differences in 1974–75.

Dimensions

Overall: 20.5 x 30.3 cm (8 1/8 x 11 7/8 in.)