

Portrait of artist Man Ray sitting with a

chess set

Date

1969-1976

Medium

gelatin silver print

Description

Man Ray (born Emmanuel Radnitzky) was an American visual artist who spent most of his career in France. He was a significant contributor to the Dada and Surrealist movements, although his ties to each were informal. He produced major works in a variety of media but considered himself a painter above all. He was best known for his photography, and he was a renowned fashion and portrait photographer. Man Ray is also noted for his work with photograms, which he called "rayographs" in reference to himself. He died in Paris on November 18, 1976 from a lung infection. Ray's epitaph reads "unconcerned, but not indifferent".

Dimensions

Overall: 30.3 x 20.6 cm (11 7/8 x 8 1/8 in.)