

Italian far-left protesters, the Indiani

Metropolitani

Date

1969-1979

Medium

gelatin silver print

Description

Indiani Metropolitani (Metropolitan Indians) were a small faction active in the Italian far-left protest movement during 1976 and 1977, in the so-called "Years of Lead". The apex of the movement took place in 1976 and 1977 during the 'Movement of '77', and manifested itself with acts of urban guerrilla, occupations of universities, high schools and factories. The Indiani Metropolitani were the so-called creative wing of the movement. Its adherents wore face-paint like the war-paint of Native Americans and dressed like hippies. The emphasis was on "stare insieme" (be together), spontaneity and the arts, especially music. They are characterised by the rejection of violence as a means of solving social problems, and their aversion to climate change. L'Europeo was a prominent Italian weekly news magazine launched on 4 November 1945, by the founder-editors Gianni Mazzocchi and Arrigo Benedetti. Camilla Cederna was also among the founders. The magazine stopped publication in 1995.

Dimensions

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