

Basic Detail Report

Lazlo Toth who vandalised Michelangelo's

Pietà statue

Date

1972-1972

Medium

gelatin silver print

Description

Laszlo Toth was a Hungarian-born Australian geologist. He achieved worldwide notoriety when he vandalised Michelangelo's Pietà statue on 21 May 1972. Toth was not charged with any criminal offence after the incident. He was hospitalized in Italy for two years. On his release, he was immediately deported to Australia.

Dimensions

Overall: 20.4 x 30.6 cm (8 x 12 in.)