Joseph Cornell: Wanderlust 4 July 2015 to 27 September 2015

Artist: Joseph Cornell

Title: Untitled (Hotel Family, Parmigianino,

Bel Antea Variant)

**Date:** c. 1950

**Medium:** Box construction: painted wood box with stained glass and baked tempera paint containing printed reproductions,

newspaper, and wood

**Dimensions:** 47.6 x 27.9 x 11.4 cm

Inv.No: 1981-083 DJ

Lent by: The Menil Collection

The Menil Collection
1511 Branard Street

Houston TX 77006

USA



Hickey-Robertson, Houston

# **Provenance:**

Purchased by The Menil Collection from Middendorf/Lane Gallery, Washington DC in 1981

This object was made post-1945

Joseph Cornell: Wanderlust 4 July 2015 to 27 September 2015

**Artist:** Joseph Cornell

**Title:** Palace **Date:** 1943

**Medium:** Box construction: Glass-paned, stained wood box with photomechanical reproduction, mirror, spray-painted twigs,

wood and shaved bark

**Dimensions:** 26.7 x 50.5 x 13 cm

**Inv.No:** ZZ 403

**Lent by:** The Menil Collection, Formerly in the collection of Christophe de Menil

The Menil Collection 1511 Branard Street

Houston TX 77006

USA



The Menil Collection, Houston. Photography: Hickey-Robertson

## **Provenance:**

Alexander Iolas

Given by above to Christophe de Menil in 1950

Acquired from above by Dominique de Menil in 1994.

Acquired from above by The Menil Foundation by bequest in 1997.

This object has an incomplete provenance for the years 1933-1945

The collector and gallerist Alexander Iolas (1907-1987) became director of the Hugo Gallery in New York in 1944. It is almost certain that he acquired this work directly from, or was given the work by Joseph Cornell, who had an exhibition at the gallery in 1946 entitled *Romantic Museum* and whom Iolas knew. During the years between the date of its creation and 1945, the work was in the United States. There is nothing in the provenance to suggest an irregularity of ownership.

Joseph Cornell: Wanderlust 4 July 2015 to 27 September 2015

Artist: Joseph Cornell

Title: Andromeda: Grand Hôtel de

l'Observatoire

**Date:** 1954

**Medium:** Box construction

**Dimensions:** 46.5 x 33 x 9.8 cm

Inv.No: 80.2734

Lent by: Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum,

New York. Partial gift, C. and B. Foundation,

by exchange, 1980

Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum

1071 Fifth Avenue

**New York** 

NY 10128

**USA** 



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## **Provenance:**

Castelli Feigen Corcoran Gallery

Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York Partial gift, C. and B. Foundation, by exchange, 1980

This object was made post-1945

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**Artist:** Joseph Cornell

Title: Untitled (The Life of Ludwig II of

Bavaria)

Date: c. 1941-52

Medium: Papered wood valise with sepia photograph mounted inside lid, containing one bound book, one printed folio of photographic reproductions, two rectangular boxes with clear glass miniature swans, two cylindrical boxes with broken glassware, crockery shards

**Dimensions:** 36.8 x 27.9 x 9.2 cm **Inv.No:** 1996-123-1 (1-127)

Lent by: Philadelphia Museum of Art: Gift of The Joseph and Robert Cornell Memorial Foundation, 1996 Philadelphia Museum of Art 26th Street and Benjamin Franklin Parkway Box 7646, Philadelphia

USA



Philadelphia Museum of Art.

## **Provenance:**

PA 19101-7646

Gift of The Joseph and Robert Cornell Memorial Foundation, 1996

This object has a complete provenance for the years 1933-1945

The Joseph and Robert Cornell Memorial Foundation was a body set up to take care of the artist's estate following his death. During the years between the start of the work's creation and 1945, the work was in progress in the possession of the artist in the USA.

Joseph Cornell: Wanderlust 4 July 2015 to 27 September 2015

**Artist:** Joseph Cornell

**Title:** Story without a Name....for Max Ernst

Date: c. 1930s

Medium: Paper and printed paper collage on

board

Dimensions: 34.3 x 23.5 cm

Inv.No:

Lent by: Private Collection

Care of Diana Howard

55 East 73rd Street

Apt 3

**New York City** 

**New York** 

10021

**USA** 



Private collection. Photography: Alex Jamison

#### **Provenance:**

Charles Henri Ford, New York

John Armbruster

Allan Stone Galleries, New York

Private collection (purchased from the above in 1972)

This object has an incomplete provenance for the years 1933-1945

Charles Henri Ford (1908-2002) was a close friend of Joseph Cornell's as well as co-founder and editor of the avant-garde magazine *View*. It is almost certain that Cornell gave him this work, which is a maquette for a layout printed in the April 1942 issue of *View* at some point around the time or after the article was published. During the years between the date of its creation and 1945, the work was in the United States. There is nothing in the provenance to suggest an irregularity of ownership.