

Eloi Bordelon Office Records

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Eloi Bordelon. Design for a room with trompe l'oeil painted walls. Client unidentified. Undated. Ink and gouache on small piece of mat board.

SCOPE and CONTENTS

Project drawings, photographs, etc.

Ca. 1945 – 1984

One flat file drawer; 7 boxes

Records of the office of New York interior designer and trompe l'oeil painter, Eloi Bordelon (1925-1984). Records include project drawings, many in color, with the addition of a few photographs. See inventory for a list of records. Bordelon, who was originally from Marksville, LA, was an interior decorator in New York, New York, who had an international reputation as a noted designer and trompe l'oeil painter. He executed projects in the United States, Europe, and the Caribbean. His commissions include work at the Sheraton St. Regis Hotel in New York City, the Arthur Sachs residence in Super Cannes, France, and at the Barry Trupin estate, "Dragonhead", on Long Island, New York.

PROVENANCE

Color drawings were given by Paul Uihlein, Eloi Bordelon's companion, to Tulane, in 1985. Tracings,

photographs, and research materials were given by Bordelons's nephew, Bruce V. Bordelon, in 1986.

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INVENTORY

All projects included in inventory are Eloi Bordelon, unless otherwise noted.

Renderings-Mounted on Illustration Board

Box 1.

New York, NY. Client not given. Drawing for trompe l'oeil decoration for unidentified dining room. Undated. 1 sheet.

New York, NY. Trupin, Barry. Swimming pool trompe l'oeil decoration. 1984. 1 sheet.

Unidentified Project. Client not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration. Undated. 1 sheet.

Southampton, NY. Trupin, Barry. Trompe l'oeil decorations. Undated. 1 sheet.

Unidentified Project. Client not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration for bathroom. Undated. 1 sheet.

Unidentified Project. Client not given. Trompe l'oeil decorations for entrance Hall and breakfast room. Undated. 1 sheet.

Unidentified Project. Client not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration for dining Room. Undated. 1 sheet.

New York, NY. Unidentified Residence. Client not given.

Trompe l'oeil decoration of entrance foyer with trophy panels. Undated.

1 sheet.
Coolidge Point, MA. Coolidge, Mrs. Thomas Jefferson. Residence. Trompe l'oeil decoration. Undated. 1 sheet.
New York, NY. Trupin, Barry. Trompe l'oeil decoration for bathroom. Undated.
1 sheet.
Cushions. Client not given. Two designs for needlepoint cushions. Undated.
1 sheet.
Southampton, NY. Fuller, Andrew P. Residence. Trompe l'oeil decoration.
Undated. 1 sheet.
Unidentified Project. Client not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration with
tropical birds. Undated. 1 sheet.
Astor, Mrs. Vincent. Residence. Location not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration.
Undated. 1 sheet.
Unidentified Residence. Client not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration for entrance hall.
Undated. 1 sheet.
Washington, DC. Rock Creek Park. Residence. Client not given. Trompe l'oeil
Decoration. Undated. 1 sheet.
New York, NY. Quick, Lawton. Residence. Residence. Trompe l'oeil decoration.
Undated. 1 sheet.
Unidentified Project. Client not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration for sitting
Room. Undated. 1 sheet.
Ecker, Mrs. Residence. Location not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration. Undated.
1 sheet.
Long Island, NY. Unidentified Residence. Trompe l'oeil decoration. Undated. 1 sheet.
Kempner, Mrs. Thomas J. Residence. Location not given. Trompe l'oeil
For entrance foyer. 1956. 1 sheet.
Unidentified Project. Client not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration.
Undated. Eloi Bordelon and Jeremiah Goodman, interior decorators.
1 sheet.
Unidentified Project. Client not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration for
dining room. Undated. Eloi Bordelon and Jeremiah Goodman,
interior decorators. 1 sheet.
Coolidge, Jefferson. Residence. Location not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration.
Undated. 1 sheet.
Client and location not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration of tropical plants in
Planters. Undated. 1 sheet.
Englehard, Charles. Residence. Location not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration.
Undated. Eloi Bordelon and Mrs. Henry Parrish II, interior decorators.
1 sheet.
Unidentified Project. Client and location not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration
For entrance hall. Undated. 1 sheet.
Nassau, Bahamas. Residence. Client not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration.
Undated. 1 sheet.
Client and location not given. Various scenes of India. Undated. 3 sheets.

Fireplace Covers. Trompe l'oeil. Client and location not given. Undated. 3 pieces.
New York, NY. New York Hilton Hotel. Trompe l'oeil decoration for Versailles
Ballroom. Undated. 2 sheets.

Nassau, Bahamas. Cay, Lyford. Residence. Trompe l'oeil decoration. Undated
2 sheets.

New York, NY. Unidentified Apartment. Client not given. Trompe l'oeil
decoration for entrance hall. Undated. 1 sheet.

Nassau, Bahamas. Unidentified Residence. Client not given. Trompe l'oeil
Decoration. Undated. 1 sheet.

Unidentified Project. Client and location not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration in
red and gold. Undated. 1 sheet.

Philadelphia, PA. Witte and Kurz Decorators. Trompe l'oeil trophy panels.
Undated. 1 sheet.

New York, NY. Sheraton-St. Regis Hotel. Trompe l'oeil decoration. Undated.
1 sheet.

Unidentified Project. Client and location not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration for
entrance Hall with French doors. Undated. 1 sheet.

Unidentified Project. Client and location not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration
for dining room. Undated. 1 sheet.

Annisell, Russell. Trompe l'oeil decoration for screen. Location not given.
Undated. 1 sheet.

Southampton, NY. Leonard, Mrs. Edgar. Residence. Trompe l'oeil decoration.
Undated. 1 sheet.

Southampton, NY. Trupin, Barry. Residence. Trompe l'oeil decoration.
Undated. 1 sheet.

Unidentified Residence. Client and location not given. Trompe l'oeil
Decoration. Undated. 1 sheet.

Figure study of male. Undated. 1 sheet.

New York, NY. Thorne, Edwin. Residence. Trompe l'oeil decorations.
1952. Tate and Hall Decorators and Eloi Bordelon, interior
Decorators. 3 sheets.

Unidentified Project. Client not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration for
mantelpiece and hearth. Undated. 1 sheet.

Unidentified Residence. Client and location not given. Trompe l'oeil
decoration. Undated. 1 sheet.

Unidentified Project. Client and location not given. Trompe l'oeil
decoration. Undated. 5 sheets.

Unidentified Project. Client and location not given. Trompe l'oeil
decoration. Undated. 1 sheet.

Unidentified Residence. Client and location not given. Trompe l'oeil
Decoration. Undated. 1 sheet.

Hog Island, Bahamas. Klenk, Clifford. Residence. Trompe l'oeil
decoration. Undated. 1 sheet.

Southampton, NY. Trupin, Barry. Residence. Trompe l'oeil decoration.

Undated. 1 sheet.
Super Cannes, France. Sachs, Arthur. Residence. Trompe l'oeil decoration.
Undated. 1 sheet.
Merrill, Robert. Residence. Location not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration.
1953. Mrs. Jeffcott Pell, Interiors and Eloi Bordelon, interior
decorators. 1 sheet.
Unidentified Residence. Client and location not given. Trompe l'oeil
decoration. Undated. 1 sheet.
Southampton, NY. Trupin, Barry. Residence. Trompe l'oeil decoration.
Undated. 1 sheet.
New York, NY. East 96th Street, 15. Trupin, Barry. Residence.
Trompe l'oeil decoration. Undated. 1 sheet.

Sketches-Pencil on Tracing Paper

Box 2.

Trupin, Barry. Residence. Location not given. Trompe l'oeil
Decoration. Undated. 4 sheets.
Stark, Mrs. A. Residence. Location not given (15 Cedar Hurst Avenue).
Undated. 1 sheet.
Fantasy drawing of scene with butterflies and girl. Undated. 1 sheet.
New York, NY. Project and client not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration
for hall. Undated. 1 sheet.
Drawing of Herculaneum fresco with poster of original. Undated.
1 sheet.
Study drawings. Undated. 8 sheets.
New York, NY. Trupin, Barry. Residence. Trompe l'oeil decoration for
swimming pool. Undated. 2 sheets.
New York, NY. Project and client not given. Undated. 1 sheet.
New York, NY. Project and client not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration
for dining room. Undated. 1 sheet.
Williamsburg, VA. Williamsburg Restoration. Residence. Trompe l'oeil
Decoration. Undated. 1 sheet.
New York, NY. Project and client not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration for
entry hall. Undated. 1 sheet.
New York, NY. O'Connor, M. Residence. Trompe l'oeil decoration.
Undated. 1 sheet.
New York, NY. New York Hilton Hotel. Trompe l'oeil decoration for
Trianon Ballroom. Undated. 2 sheets.
Unidentified Residence. Client and location not given. Trompe l'oeil
Decoration. Undated. 1 sheet.
Thomas. Residence. Location not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration and other
decoration. Undated. 1 sheet.
New York, NY. Palace Hotel. Trompe l'oeil decoration. Undated. 12 sheets.
New York, NY. Hotel Pierre. Trompe l'oeil decoration. Undated. 2 sheets.

Unidentified Residence. Client and location not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration and other decoration. Undated. 2 sheets.

Fantasy drawing with Egyptian theme. 1945. Negative Photostat. 1 sheet.

Unidentified Residence. Client and location not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration. 1968. 2 sheets.

New York, NY. West 58th Street, 182. Petrossian Restaurant and Shop. Trompe l'oeil decoration. Undated. 2 sheets.

Unidentified Residence. Client and location not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration. Undated. 3 sheets.

O'Connor, Mal. Residence. Location not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration. Undated. 1 sheet.

New York, NY. Rizzoli Gallery and Bookstore. Window decoration. Undated. 1 sheet.

Southampton, NY. Trupin, Barry. Residence. Trompe l'oeil decoration. Undated. 6 sheets.

Dominique, France. Unidentified Residence. Client not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration. Undated. 4 sheets.

Warwick, John. Pool House. Location not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration. Undated. 1 sheet.

Leland, J. Residence. Location not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration. 1979. 4 sheets.

Coolidge, Mrs. Residence. Location not given. Trompe l'oeil decoration. Undated. 1 sheet.

New York, NY. East 96th Street, 15. Trupin, Barry. Residence. Trompe l'oeil decoration and other decoration. Undated. 44 sheets.

Project Specifications, etc.

Box 3.

Southampton, NY. Trupin, Barry. Residence. 1984. 3 sheets.

New York, NY. East 96th Street, 15. Trupin, Barry. Residence. 1984. 4 sheets.

Sketchbooks of drawings and notes of Eloi Bordelon. Undated. 3 pieces.

Magazine articles regarding Eloi Bordelon decoration of Sheraton-St. Regis Hotel, New York, NY. Undated. 8 sheets.

Pamphlet of life and notable work of Eloi Bordelon with specific trompe l'oeil work done by Bordelon for the Sheraton-St. Regis Hotel. Undated. 1 sheet.

Pamphlet titled, *Illusionism. An Essay in Trompe l'Oeil*, made for exhibit of Eloi Bordelon drawings. Includes brief biography of Bordelon. Undated. 1 sheet.

Advertisement for Eloi Bordelon, Interior Decorator. Undated. 1 sheet.

Photographs

Box 4.

Photographs of trompe l'oeil work and other interior decoration projects

by Eloi Bordelon. Undated. 75 prints.