

Ex-libris (bookplate) - Edith Craig

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Accession Nr.: MLT 1689.1.43.b 

Artist/Maker: Craig, Edward Gordon (1872 - 1966) / graphic designer

Date of production: 1898

Place of production: Great-Britain

Inscription: G. C.

Materials: paper

Dimensions: height: 10,5 cm
width: 7,5 cm

The versatile Craig - being an actor, a graphic and a stage designer - started to draw in 1898, creating his early pieces. He is the father of puritan ex libris art, and always believed that nothing but the name, and a tiny, simple ornament can be present on an ex libris. In this case, he used only two motifs: a stylized flower on one and a lady's hat on the other. He created a new trend with his reserved, simple graphic ornaments.

Literature

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