

# AMERICAN FOLK ART MUSEUM



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## THE PRIVATE COLLECTION OF HENRY DARGER

Henry Darger (1892-1973) had an art collection. He displayed it in his apartment, hanging from string, tacked into the walls, or pasted with glue directly onto various surfaces. Like many art collectors, Darger had a passion to amass images meant, most likely, to provide him with pleasure, as well as to amuse his curiosity and intellect. And like many practicing artists, he surrounded himself with his own production—paintings, drawings, and collages—made in a modest scale, with simple supplies and readily available material. Selected from the more than eighty cardboard collages in the museum's collection and exhibited for the first time, the works on view illustrate another, previously unexplored aspect of Darger's creative world.

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Henry Darger's home, c. 1970s (photo by Nathan Lerner and David Berglund)



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