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KOBAYASHI KAICHI - POCHIBUKURO (MONEY ENVELOPES) - 1920



Subject: Japanese woodcut. Art Deco. Pochibukuro.

Publication: c.1920.

Size: 7 x 12 cm.

Technique: Woodcut, the work is created with wood plates.

Conservation: Very good

Notes: Pochibukuro are small envelopes for gifts of money. Although the artist is often not identified, several well known Meiji period and shin hanga artists created designs for these ephemera.

Kobayashi Kaichi 1896-1968:(Kobayashi Kaichi (real name Kobayashi Yoshikazu) was a Japanese artist specialising in designs for wood block printed postcards and envelopes.

He was born in Kyoto in 1896 and studied at the Kyoto Municipal Painting School (now Kyoto City University). By 1922 he was working for the Kimono Time design house under the pen name of Song Jig. He also worked for the publisher Sakuraiya. In 1942 he married and his family eventually included one daughter and three sons. He died in 1968.

During the Taishō and early Shōwa periods (1912 to late 1920's) Kobayashi created designs for postcards and envelopes for woodblock printing which were heavily influenced by early Art Deco style then popular in the West and gaining popularity in Japan. It is estimated that he may have created up to 700 different designs.

Some of the postcards were sold as packs of four similar designs whilst many others were one-off designs.

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