



contemplation.

Dimensions

18 7/8 x 15 3/8"

Court of the First Model Tenement

Date

1936 (printed 1979)

Primary Maker

Berenice Abbott

Medium

gelatin silver print

Description

This frontal view of a tenement interior preserves a slice of architectural history. The work's greater legacy is its reflection of social history. The flapping laundry infuses the work with a profound humanism. In isolating and monumentalizing the slum, Abbott elevates the lowly subject to a thing of importance and sympathetic