SIDE GALLERY

LUIGI CACCIA DOMINIONI (1913-2016)



Floor lamp model "LTE4"

Manufactured by Azucena Italy, 1953 Cast iron base, brass structure

Measurements

23 cm X 17,5 cm X 121,5h cm 9 in x 6,88 in x 47,83h in

Literature

Domus n. 723, January 1991, p. 159; Domus n. 1025, June 2018, p. 38.

Biography

Luigi Caccia Dominioni (7 December 1913 – 13 November 2016) was an Italian architect and furniture designer.

Caccia Dominioni was born on 7 December 1913 in Milan, in Lombardy in northern Italy, to Ambrogio Caccia Dominioni, a lawyer, and Maria Paravicini; the family was a noble one, with origins in Novara, in Piemonte.

Caccia Dominioni graduated from the Politecnico di Milano in 1936, and opened a studio with two fellow-students, Livio and Pier Giacomo Castiglioni. He was in the Italian army during the Second World War, but when the puppet Republic of Salò was established in 1943, he refused to recognise it and fled to Switzerland. After the war he returned to Milan and, with Corrado Corradi Dell'Acqua and Ignazio Gardella, started Azucena, a company which designed both furniture and furnishings such as door-handles and lamps.

Caccia Dominioni designed many buildings in Milan, notably overseeing the internal restructuring of the Biblioteca and the Pinacoteca Ambrosiana. Between 1976 and 1983 he worked on the Parc Saint Roman, a residential complex in Monte Carlo.