

SIDE GALLERY

IGNACIO GARDELLA (1905 - 1999)



Bookcase model "Lb2"

Manufactured by Misura Emme
Italy, 1980
Black painted steel,
wood shelves, chrome details

Measurements

32 cm x 110 cm x 240 height cm
12,6 in x 43,3 in x 94,5 height in

Provenance

Private collection, Italy

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Biography

Ignazio was an Italian architect and designer, born into a family of architects. His long professional activity, which began before his graduation at the end of the 20's with his father Arnaldo Gardella, produced an enormous quantity of projects and realizations and before the war they participated in several architectural competitions in collaboration with Luigi Vietti, to build "della casa del fascio".

In 1947 started his activity in design. This year he found the Azucena Agency with Luigi Caccia Dominioni, the first that inaugurated Italian design production of high quality. Gardella designed primarily decorative furniture objects.

After the war, Gardella made many buildings who correspond mainly to the question of saving space. He also had an important role in education, teaching in the IUAV until his death 1975.