



Self-Portrait of Arthur Austin

Date

c. 1910-1920

Medium

Glass plate Collodion emulsion

Description

A man, thought to be the photographer Arthur Austin sits in a wooden rocking chair in a parlor. He holds onto a remote shutter button for a smaller bellows camera and

looks stoically to the left. The lense of the camera points straight ahead. The man's right leg stretches out toward a table in the middle of the room. On the table is a candy dish, large book, table lamp with a photograph (female portrait) propped up. On the lower shelf of the table is a group of stereographs propped up and a stereoscope next to them. A ratten rocking chair with cushions on the seat and headrest is on the right side of the table. A second, smaller table is in the background in front of a window with a vase of flowers on it and a book on the lower shelf. A floral still life hangs on the wall above the man's head. Two curtained windows are in the room. A side chair is in the corner between the windows.

Dimensions

Sight: 4 × 5 in. (10.2 × 12.7 cm)