

Basic Detail Report



Eagle

Date

ca. 1994

Primary Maker

Djan Shun Lin

Medium

Magazine pages, papier-mache toilet paper, pigment, paint

Description

Folded-paper eagle stands with wings raised, beak open as if screaming. Body painted white, feet and beak yellow, black talons. Wings, mid-body, tail covered with folded paper pieces, pointed side up, cut from magazines: tail is mostly white. Made by a Chinese refugee who was aboard the ship Golden Venture, which ran aground in

New York in 1993. Some of the refugees were detained for nearly four years, including at the York County Prison in Pennsylvania, where some made folded-paper sculptures, as gifts for their pro bono lawyers or to pass the time while in prison. These paper sculptures made from recycled magazine pages demonstrate a paperworking tradition found in prisons and also document the life of refugees.

Dimensions

overall: 80.2 cm H x 84.0 cm L x 77.0 cm W