

MERDA D'ARTISTA



Properties list:

extra-use of packaging
can and tin
metals
contemporary
identity by typography
end-user packaging
arts and crafts

Merda D'artista (literally translated in English: Artist's shit) is a 1961 artwork by the Italian artist Piero Manzoni. The work consists of 90 tin cans, filled with feces, each 30 grams and measuring 4.8x6.5cm, with a label in Italian, English, French, and German stating:

Artist's Shit

Contents 30 gr net

Freshly preserved

Produced and tinned

in May 1961

At the time the piece was created Manzoni was producing works that explored the relationship between art production and human production, *Fiato d'artista* (Artist's breath), a series of balloons filled with Manzoni's breath, being an example.

Reference:

Credits:

Country: Italy

Year: 1961

Designer: Piero

Manzoni

Other images: