



The world's only tight rope walking lion.

OBJECT TYPE

Photography

Montagematerial

Verwendung unbekannt

DATE

1937

PLACE OF ORIGIN Vereinigtes Königreich Großbritannien und Nordirland, London

MATERIALS AND TECHNIQUES Silbergelatineabzug

DIMENSIONS 20,5 x 25,3 cm

PERSON / INSTITUTION Heartfield, John [↗](#)[↗](#) GND
(19. Juni 1891–26. April 1968) (Bezugsperson)
Keystone View Company [↗](#)[↗](#) GND
(1892–1978) (Agentur)

COMMENT Fotografie aus John Heartfields Sammlung von Recherche- und Montagematerial

ICONCLASS beasts of prey, predatory animals: lion
circus performance with trained animals (monkeys, elephants, bears, lions and tigers, horses, dogs, dolphins, seals, fleas)

MARKS AND INSCRIPTIONS Verso:
"THE WORLD'S ONLY TIGHT ROPE WALKING LION. / This ist the Claim of BOB MATTHEWS of VENICE , California, who / owns this fine specimen. It is quite possible that the Claim stands / good as it must need a lot of patience and nerve to Train the lion / to tread this thin wire with accuracy. The lion is called King Tuffy, weighs 115lbs and is four years old [...]"
gestempelt:
"KEYSTONE [...]"

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PROVENANCE Nachlass John und Gertrud Heartfield

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