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## Lester Raymer (1907-1991)

*"My paintings do all the talking."*

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"It's all I ever wanted to do. I can't remember when I wasn't an artist." Lester Raymer's childhood memories of the family farm in Oklahoma and his mother's strong religious beliefs inspired his art in both style and subject matter. Horses, roosters and the circus dominate the artistic thread throughout his life; Christian motifs run through his painting, toys and sculpture.

"When I'm working in a medium, the medium itself brings on the ideas. I never understood why an artist couldn't work in more than one medium." Raymer worked in painting, furniture carving, tapestry, jewelry, toy making, sculpture and pottery. His prolific output is astounding; the diverse craft techniques he employed, rare.

"The test of a great work of art is its immediate impact on the viewer." Raymer was a reticent man who never saw a reason to promote his art.

Many times he would refuse to sell a painting unless he knew the buyer was serious about art and would treasure the piece. Yet he was thoroughly generous with his time and techniques including colleagues and students alike.

"Genius is an abstraction which comes to life when its possessor dies. Then his creations start to live. . .for they occupy the place where he stood when he looked at the world, and they offer to those who know how to see it, a vision of what he saw, what he stood for, and what he created for others to look at." Raymer was a studio artist in Lindsborg until his death in 1991.



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