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OBJECT ID	2005.8.16
OBJECT NAME	Blouse
MEASUREMENTS	51.91252 cm. H x 64.61252 cm. W Width was taken from shoulder to shoulder. The sleeves weren't measured. Since this is a textile, the dimensions may change depending on how it is displayed., Item (Overall)
MATERIAL	Cotton

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OBJECT ENTITIES	Theodoracopulos, Theodore (is related to) Theodoracopulos, Aristotle (is related to)
RELATED ITEMS	Runner, Table, 2005.8.1 Runner, Table, 2005.8.2 Scarf, 2005.8.3 Nightgown, 2005.8.4 Slip, 2005.8.5 Scarf, 2005.8.6 Fabric, 2005.8.7 Fabric, 2005.8.8 Vestment, 2005.8.9 Vestment, 2005.8.10 Runner, Table, 2005.8.11 Vest, 2005.8.12 Slip, 2005.8.13 Slip, 2005.8.14 Fabric, 2005.8.15 Slip, 2005.8.17 Runner, table, 2005.8.18 Fabric, 2005.8.19 Pattern, Needlework, 2005.8.20 Tablecloth, 2005.8.21 Skirt, 2005.8.22 Handkerchief, 2005.8.23 Jacket, 2005.8.24 Vest, 2005.8.25 Photograph, 2005.8.26 Painting, 2005.8.27 Icon, 2005.8.28 Print, 2005.8.29 Purse, 2005.8.30 Pot, 2005.8.31 Figurine, 2005.8.32 Buckle, Belt, 2005.8.33 Vase, Temple, 2005.8.34 Altarpiece, 2005.8.35
ACCESS POINTS	Blouses Clothing floral

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

A long-sleeved blouse of sheer material. Colorful embroidery on arms and shoulders, around the neck, and at the waist. The front is divided in three sections by two vertical lines. Each section has a panel of a flower wreath on a looser knit fabric. The embroidery on the shoulders consists of diamond designs. There is a small green diamond followed by a yellow diamond, and then a red diamond. Outside of this is a blank space, then another yellow diamond, there are red lines between these diamond designs forming an X with curls on the end. In between the X's, there are still more diamonds. Down the sleeve, there are upside-down V's with curled ends and a diamond on the top in red. Yellow outlines the diamonds on the top, along the cuffs, neckline, and bottom. There is a double yellow stitched border. In between the two yellow lines, there is a zigzag design of red, green, and black. The shoulder, arm, and vertical line designs were cross-stitched. The vertical lines consist of small red diamonds outlined in black. The three wreaths on the front are from the same pattern, though the one on the right is more faded. They are green wreaths with red, yellow, purple, blue, and pink flowers.

ORIGIN

The donor's father, Aristotle, came to America from Greece in 1903 and worked many jobs in New York and Ohio, until he settled in Chicago Heights, IL. He founded a small retail general store in 1907 selling ready-to-wear and specialized in the sale of fabrics. He is reputed to be the first Greek to have this business in the U.S.A. His business prospered and he became very active in the church and other community activities in America and Greece. For his many good services and contributions, he was awarded the title of Grand Crusader of the Order of the Orthodox Crusaders of the Holy Sepulcher by the Patriarch of Jerusalem, Damianos II.

CITATION

Blouse, *National Hellenic Museum*, https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/. Accessed 11/10/26.