



## Eugene Von Bruenchenhein - King of Lesser Lands (Hardback)

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Andrew Edlin Gallery, United States, 2016. Hardback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book. Von Bruenchenhein belongs among the great American outsider artists. -Roberta Smith, The New York Times King of Lesser Lands traces the fugitive career of Eugene Von Bruenchenhein (1910-83), a prolific creator of a diverse range of distinctive images and sculptural objects, who produced his art in private over a period of about 50 years at his home in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. His large and unusual body of work was not discovered until after he died. In 1939, at the age of 29, Von Bruenchenhein met Evelyn Kalka. She became his wife and muse. Evelyn, who was nicknamed Marie, served as his model and the subject of thousands of erotic photo-portraits, which he shot and printed himself. For these images, which emulated girlie-magazine pinups with an offbeat air, Von Bruenchenhein designed and created his own background sets and costumes for Marie. Around the mid-1950s, the artist began to make abstract paintings using his fingers or sticks, combs, leaves and other makeshift utensils to push oil paint around the surfaces of Masonite boards or cardboard taken from packing boxes at the bakery where he worked. Von Bruenchenhein s...



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