

Landacre, Paul

Born in Columbus, OH on July 9, 1893, Paul Landacre, while a student at Ohio State University, contracted a streptococcus infection which left him crippled for life.

Upon graduation in 1916, he relocated to the milder climate of southern California. He soon began his career in a San Diego advertising agency and about 1922 settled in Los Angeles where he remained.

In 1926 he quit his job as a commercial artist to concentrate on printmaking. Landacre taught wood engraving at Otis Art Institute until his suicide on June 3, 1963.

He was the author-illustrator of several books including California Hills. Rockwell Kent once called him "the best American wood engraver working."

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