

Lee Krasner's *Abstractions*

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Biography

- Born (1908) and died (1984) in New York
- Married to famous abstract expressionist Jackson Pollock
- Changed her name from Lena
- Destroyed and recreated works
 - Clement Greenberg- Most important show of decade
- Night Journeys
 - Pollock's death
 - "Too feminine"



Abstract Expressionism

"My painting is so autobiographical, if anyone can take the trouble to read it." -Lee Krasner

- Reducing things to their essential components as a way of self-expression



Lee Krasner

Still Life on a Table. 1938

-Still Life as inanimate objects

“..balancing out of spatial tensions by contrasting warm and cool colors.” -Barbara Rose

Black and White (1953)

- *Girl Before a Mirror* reference



Night Creatures (1965)

“...she poured out her feelings of loss in
explosive bursts of sienna, umber and
white in works...” -Landau



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