

Alex Topp (Topchevsky) (American, 1911 - 1999) Chicago Skyline, 1956 Watercolor on paper 13 3/4 x 7 inches Signed and dated Top 56, lower right; titled lower left #22137

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Alex Topp was born in Chicago, where he studied at the Hull House under his older brother, noted artist Morris Topchevsky. He earned his MFA from the Art Institute of Chicago. Alex Topp worked for the WPA as an easel painter and executed murals for multiple government buildings. He traveled and painted in Mexico, Central America and Europe and is known for his social realist works from the 1930s and 1940s. Topp has exhibited at the Art Institute of Chicago and the Brooklyn Museum and his work is in the permanent collections of the Smithsonian Institute as well as the Library of Congress.