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Broadacre City 1934-1958

Stock#: Map Maker:	46330 Wright
Date:	1959 circa
Place:	n.p.
Color:	Color
Condition:	VG+
Size:	28 x 18 inches (with text)
Price:	SOLD



Description:

Fine promotional map illustrating Frank Lloyd Wright's Broadacre City.

Broadacre City was an urban or suburban development concept proposed by Frank Lloyd Wright throughout most of his lifetime. He presented the idea in his book **The Disappearing City in 1932.** A few years later he unveiled a very detailed twelve by twelve foot scale model representing a hypothetical four square mile community. The model was crafted by the student interns who worked for him at Taliesin, and financed by Edgar Kaufmann. It was initially displayed at an Industrial Arts Exposition in the Forum at the Rockefeller Center starting on April 15, 1935.

After the New York exposition, Kaufmann arranged to have the model displayed in Pittsburgh at an exposition titled "New Homes for Old", sponsored by the Federal Housing Administration. The exposition opened on June 18, on the 11th floor of Kaufmann's store. Wright went on to refine the concept in later books and in articles until his death in 1959.

Many of the building models in the concept were completely new designs by Wright, while others were refinements of old ones, some of which had been rarely seen.

Detailed Condition: