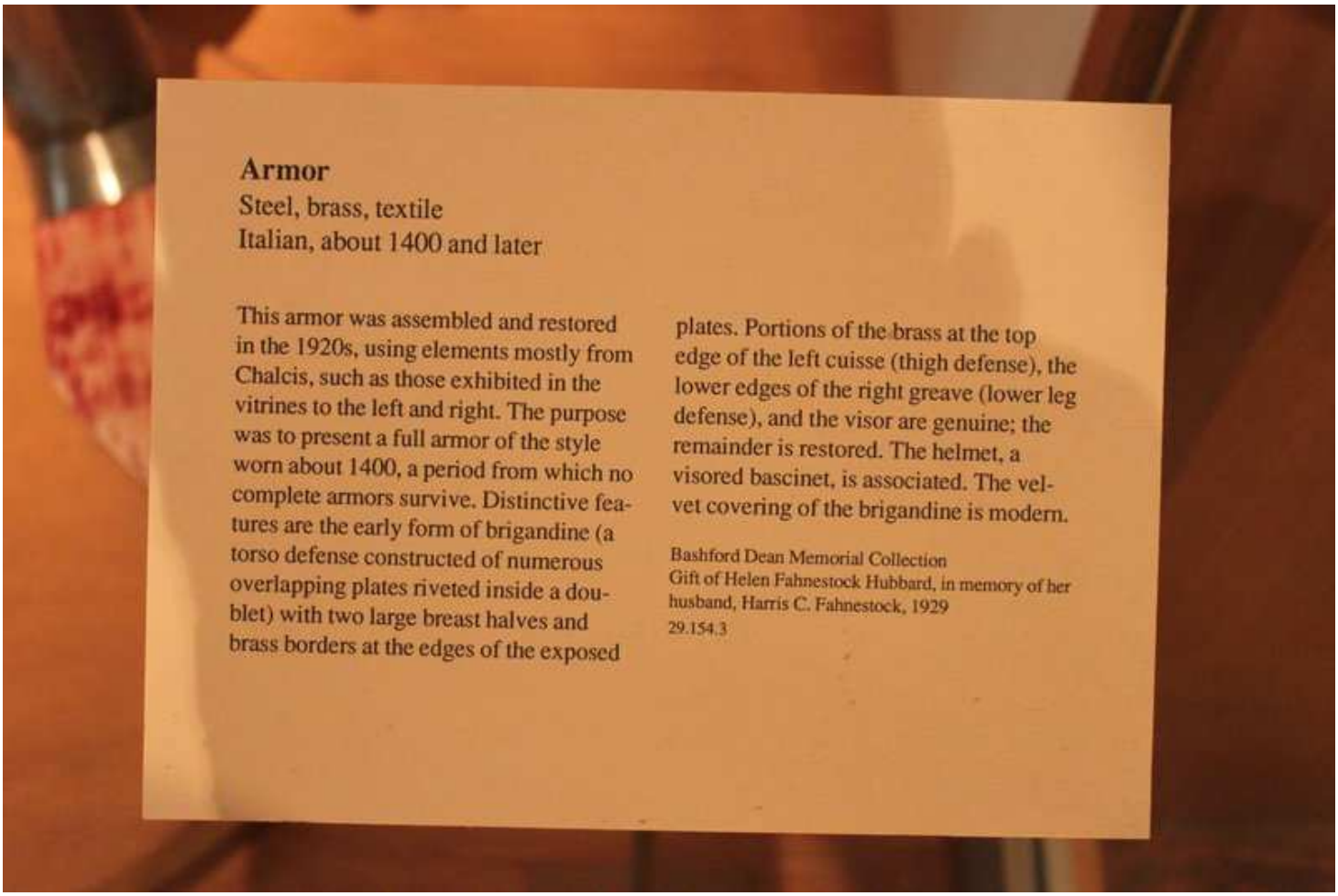
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Type suit(s)

collection data	
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material	iron
images by	Matthias Goll
estimated dating by stylistic criteria	
decade of 14th c.	8th
decade of 14th c.	9th
decade of 14th c.	10th

main side



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Armor
Steel, brass, textile
Italian, about 1400 and later
This armor was assembled and restored in the 1920s, using elements mostly from Chalcis, such as those exhibited in the vitrines to the left and right. The purpose was to present a full armor of the style worn about 1400, a period from which no complete armors survive. Distinctive features are the early form of brigandine (a torso defense constructed of numerous overlapping plates riveted inside a doublet) with two large breast halves and brass borders at the edges of the exposed plates. Portions of the brass at the top edge of the left cuisse (thigh defense), the lower edges of the right greave (lower leg defense), and the visor are genuine; the remainder is restored. The helmet, a visored bascinet, is associated. The velvet covering of the brigandine is modern.
Bashford Dean Memorial Collection
Gift of Helen Fahnestock Hubbard, in memory of her husband, Harris C. Fahnestock, 1929
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