

THE FUTURE IS ON THE TABLE #3  
at THE GIBBES MUSEUM OF ART, Charleston, SC

Everyday objects can be extremely significant to their owners, although perhaps not expensive or considered formal art objects. They hold unique meanings, often evoking memories and serving as reminders and symbols. The objects on this shelf and the stories behind them were presented by their owners during a workshop on Art Objects and Memorabilia that took place at the City Gallery on Sunday August 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Descriptions of Objects:**

A gift for their first wedding anniversary. Later a reminder of her late ex-husband. Wind-Up Music Maker

“What has my son been up to when mom wasn’t looking?” Domino Martini Glass

A gift from Santa, and one of the last objects she has left from her childhood. 1928 Saucer from Child’s Tea Set

“Quite fantastic”. “Fancy New York” Five-Year-Old Cell Phone.

A symbol of impermanence and necessity. Melting Ice in a Plastic Bag.

“I love this yard.” A reminder of home before her house was taken away for financial reasons. Photograph of Daniels Island

A symbol of friendship and collaboration; it takes two little carved people to support the headrest. Wooden Head Rest from Senegal

It travels with her everywhere. “If I was stranded on a desert island it is the one thing I would want with me.” Jack Skellington Shoulder Bag

A gift for a friend that has given so much. Also a symbol of Panamanian culture. Hand-made Mola Art Quilt with Photograph

He came in 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Southeast and 26<sup>th</sup> in the nation. A map for a sports game.

A symbol of his grandfather’s Lifetime Achievement as a Master Shepard. Piece from a Trophy Won at a Long Ago Country Fair

She inherited her father’s habit of spilling coffee on everything. A reminder of Dad. Father’s Name Tag with Coffee Stains

The view from where her father used to live before he passed away, a year ago. His poem, “From Blunt’s Creek”

A gift from home and a gift from work. Both reminders travel with her everywhere.  
Peacock Feathers and Ceramic Vase

A symbol of her connection to Greek culture. Found on her first trip to Greece at a monastery dedicated to St. Andrew, her patron Saint. Virgin Mary Icon

One of his first, carved from Green Vedite in the year 1990. Sculpture of a Woman's Torso

Many cultural connections to trees, collected from an intern's classmates at Academic Magnet High School. Book of Dialogue on Trees

A gift from her aunt for high school. Quilt

From her first childhood plane trip to California. One of many that she "grabbed from her collection". Rock from San Diego

A symbol for "a flood of ink"; seven years worth of notebooks left in France. Red Leaf Found on a Walk in Charleston

Favorite shirt since she was 16. She's had it for 6 years. Handmade "Badou"

"A sort of ketosis". Broken Skateboard.

From a trip to the World Social Forum in Nairobi. A reminder to keep the inspiration alive. "KENYA" Beaded Bracelet

A birthday gift. Includes a personal track-list and a picture with his name. Mix Tape

An image of family and tradition. A photograph of their grandchildren in a special frame.

An invitation to write, with the first line by Laurie Anderson. Notebook and Pen

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