

# THINGS LOST EFOUND

STORIES OF OUR TIME TOGETHER

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#### **Overview of the week**



**Story Corps** 



Digital Collages



Analog Collages



Sound Composition



Poetry



Exhibition

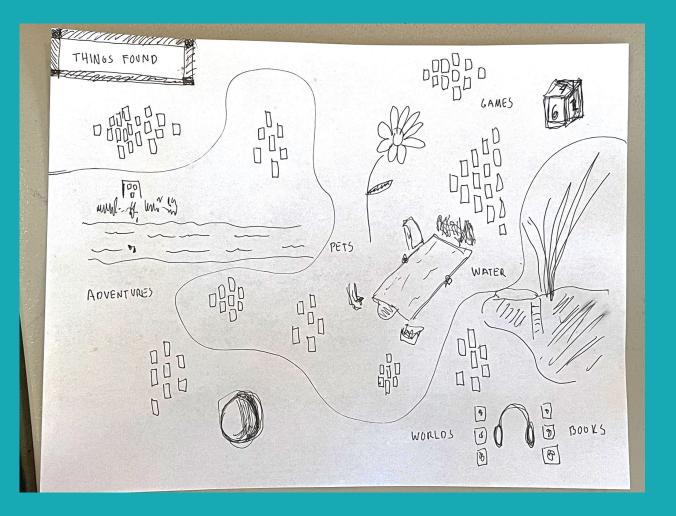




#### **Things Found: A Visual Map**

- Write the phrase "Things Found" on your paper Make an illustrated or text map of the things you've found.
  - material things you can touch
  - **natural** the natural world
  - emotional/spiritual new ways of being
  - personal new ways of working, playing, or being alone
  - artistic books, film, poetry, art
  - social new ways of being with people





STORIES DISCOVER



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AN INTRODUCTION TO STORYCORPS

15 YEARS OF

StoryCorps' mission is to preserve and share humanity's stories in order to build connections between people and create a more just and compassionate world.

#### How do we tell a beautiful story?



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**Cherie Johnson and James Ransom** 



#### **Story Fragments**

- Look over your map of "things found."
- Think about which one has the most <u>heat</u> to create a story fragment with.
- Divide a sheet of paper into three parts **B-M-E**
- Next we'll be sharing and capturing your story fragment in breakout rooms in 2 min. or less.





#### **Story Fragments**

- Take turns in your group recording your own story fragment while telling your story.
- Everyone else, except the storyteller, should mute their microphone.
- Don't worry if you "mess up" you can record again during lunch.
- 2 min or less for each person's fragment.
- If you finish early, take a break until . . .
- Email fragments to: tommasoiskra@gmail.com





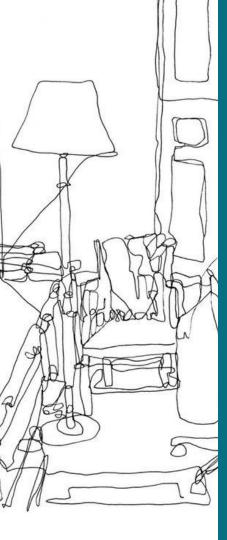
#### Still Catching the Sun

Visual and textual arts workshop

Cynthia Weiss & Tommaso Iskra De Silvestri

Tuesday, July 27 - 2:00-4:15



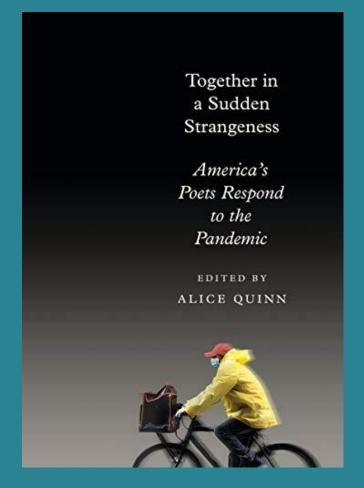


#### **Essential Questions**

What is found when we bridge our digital and analogue worlds?

How can fragments be collected and composed to create a new whole?





**Mentor Text** 

For once on the face of the earth let's not speak in any language, let's stop for one second...

It would be an exotic moment without rush, without engines, we would all be together in a sudden strangeness.

Sería un minuto fragante, sin prisa, sin locomotoras, todos estaríamos juntos **en un inquietud instantánea.** 

from Pablo Neruda's poem Keeping Quiet/A Callarse

#### Still Life by Ellen Bass

It won't last, of course. The sun

at just this angle on the coral tulips. Even now they're spinning away, but oh,

these open mouths reach out on their supple stems, revealing yellow throats, golden pistil and black anthers wheeling. They ride the air, louche cups of emptiness, satin feathers, parrot-colored curtains, they billow, they plume, dreamy sails, slack bells, they lift and tremble at the slightest shift, even my breath sets them nodding. For a minute,

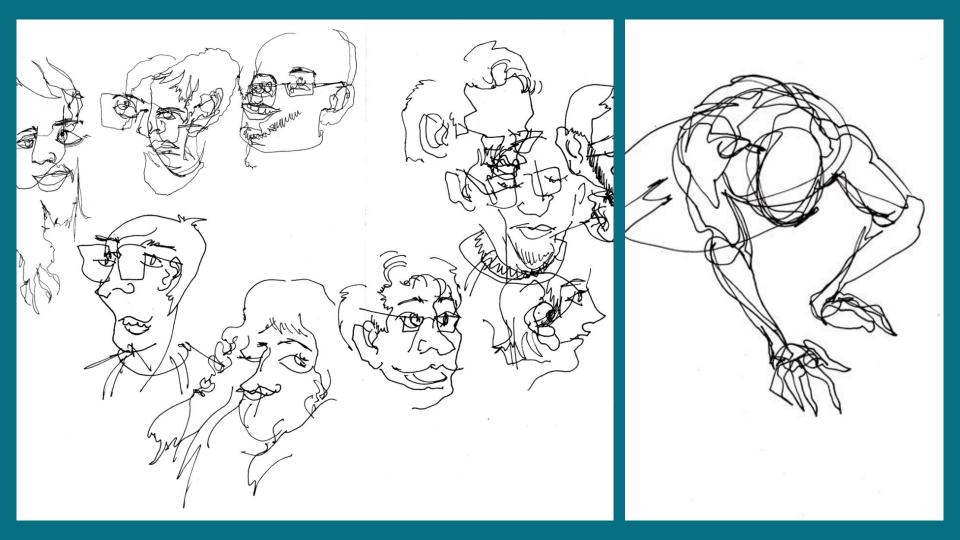
dwell and crest,
then the planet's stream
takes them with it
and the shallow pond of light is gone—

except the tip of one petal still catching the sun.

maybe two, they









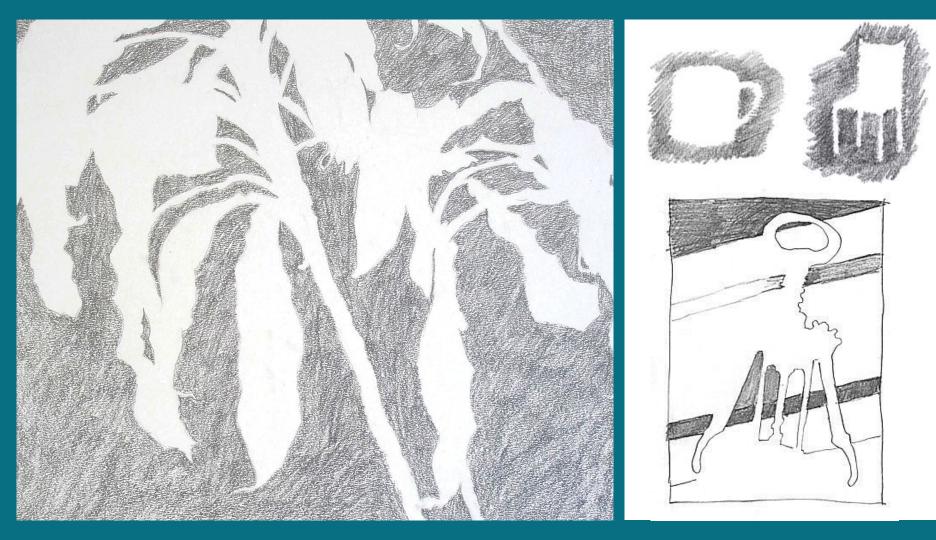
### **Blind Contour Drawing**

Choose an object that you can see clearly in front of you.

Imagine that your pencil is tracing the outline, contours, of the objects you are seeing. Make the connection between your eye and your hand.

Start drawing anywhere. Make a continuous line that traces the contours of the objects in front of you. Look only at the objects, NOT at your paper. Don't worry about your lines not matching up.

Go Slowly. Breathe. Enjoy.





## **Drawing Negative Space**

Observe the object you want to draw, focus on the outlines of your object, look at all the gaps and space surrounding your object.

With pencil on paper, bring lines to the edge of the object, leaving the object intact.

Keep filling up all the negative space around your object.



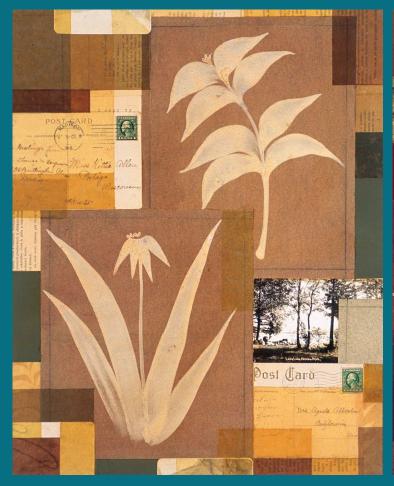


# Tracing Shadows and Objects

Look for objects that might be interesting to trace.

Experiment with different ways to trace your objects. You can organize the outlines you trace on the paper or start overlapping them.

Now with a light source (the sun, your phone, a lamp, etc.), place your object on the paper or the side of the paper and trace the shadow that it casts.





Andrew Young andrewyoungart.com

"All my life I've been fascinated with the natural world.
Through collecting, sorting, identifying, and drawing what I discover in my surroundings, I feel more closely connected."

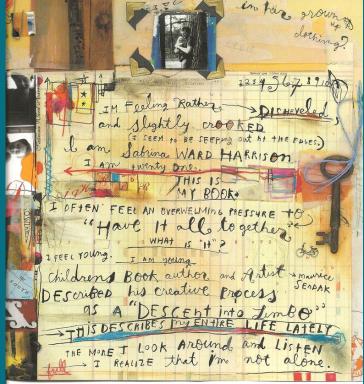


Leaves and Lanterns series (c-311), 17 x 14 in, 2005





Book Cover and Page: Spilling Open: The Art of Becoming Yourself, 2000



### Sabrina Ward Harrison sabrinawardharrison.info

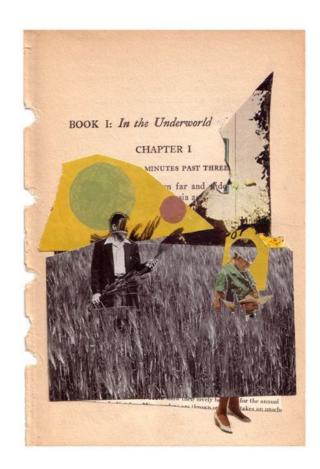
Sabrina Ward Harrison is a Canadian artist and author. She is the creator of five published books of her journals, the first one being published when she was 23, Spilling Open; The Art of Becoming Yourself.







The Circular Ruins, 2009, collage on vintage book paper

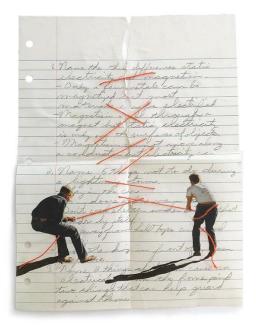


Marooned, 2010, collage on vintage book paper

### **Lillianna Pereira** lillypereira.com

"I never start a piece with particulars in mind; serendipity and the personal unconscious guide the composition. The personal becomes collective and conscious once the stories start to emerge."





Homework











#### Hollie Chastain holliechastain.com

"Letters, textbooks, little notes, and journals carry so much of a previous life. I am inspired by these snippets of a person and stamps of a particular time and place. Each graphite scribble is a treasure to me and I want to bring life back into the material that I use instead of letting it stay hidden, crumbling away."



# **Analogue Collage Studio Time**

- Take out your collection of papers, letters, maps, photos, fragments from past year.
- If you have a large background sheet of paper for your base, begin with that.
- If you don't have a background sheet, arrange your papers in different compositions.
- Feel free to cut, tear ,and rearrange your papers.
- Create, layout, and glue down your collage.