Places, Spaces, and Faces: Modern and Contemporary Sculpture Outreach Suitcase

“The materials immediately inspired great creativity . . . and the Educator Resource Guide inspired me to create an accordion-book project. Thanks for the supplies and inspiration.”
—Elementary Parent Art Docent

ABOUT THE SUITCASE
The Places, Spaces, and Faces suitcase is a resource for examining modern sculpture from the late nineteenth century to the contemporary period, emphasizing objects from the collections of SAM. These objects are intended to inspire artistic creation by students and provide an interactive approach to sculpture, including exploration of materials, techniques, meaning, and history. By using these objects, students can explore not only the formal and expressive elements of sculpture, but also how sculpture conveys social concerns and issues of identity.


LOOKING QUESTIONS
Encourage your students to look closely at the objects in the suitcase and images from SAM’s Collection with questions like:

• Describe what you see in this sculpture. How does it make you feel?
• If these works were to come to life, what might they do or how would they move?
• What kind of personalities would they have and why?
WHAT’S IN THE MODERN AND CONTEMPORARY SCULPTURE OUTREACH SUITCASE?

Educator Resource Guide
• A list of relevant objects in the suitcase
• A list of images on the prints and CD that relate to these objects
• Background information on the object
• Questions to consider to start class discussion
• Activity ideas and materials
• Related resources and glossary
• Washington State, Common Core, and National Core Arts Education Standards

Objects in the Suitcase (Pictured on Front)
• Steel pipe caps
• Marble tiles
• Wood
• Feathers
• Knit fabric
• Dog tags
• Bamboo sticks
• Shapescapes
• Vivarium tile
• Sculpture tools
• Twisteez
• Corks
• Glue dots
• Plastic grass mat
• Miniature trees
• Plastic eagle
• Eraser
• Flip video camcorder
• Books and DVD

Supplemental Images from SAM’s Collection (on CD and 11 X 17” Prints)
Theme: Discovering Modern and Contemporary Sculpture
• Seated Tanagra Figurine, 4th-3rd century, Norman and Amelia Davis Classical Collection, 66.101
• Woman Stretching (Femme s’etirant), 1896-1911, Edgar Degas, Norman and Amelia Davis Collection, 56.207
• Bird in Space, 1926, Constantin Brancusi, Partial and promised gift of Jon and Mary Shirley, in honor of the 75th Anniversary of the Seattle Art Museum, 2000.221, © 2009 Artists Rights Society (ARS), New York/ADAGP, Paris
• Octave, 1960, Robert Rauschenberg, Promised gift of Virginia and Bagley Wright, in honor of the 75th Anniversary of the Seattle Art Museum, T2006.65.123, Art © Robert Rauschenberg/Licensed by VAGA, New York, NY
• The Eagle, 1971, Alexander Calder, Gift of Jon and Mary Shirley, in honor of the 75th Anniversary of the Seattle Art Museum, 2000.69, © 2009 Calder Foundation/Artist Rights Society (ARS), New York
• Typewriter Eraser, Scale X, model 1998, fabricated 1999, Claes Oldenburg and Coosje van Bruggen, On Loan: Paul Allen Family Collection, T2006.17, © Claes Oldenburg and Coosje van Bruggen
• Some/One, 2001, Do Ho Suh, Barney A. Ebsworth Collection, 2002.43, © Do Ho Suh
• Connecting (Tsunagari), 2004, Chikuunsai IV (Takeo Tanabe), Gift of Jon and Mary Shirley, in honor of the 75th Anniversary of the Seattle Art Museum, 2004.113, © Takeo Tanabe
• Soundsuit, 2006, Nick Cave, Gift of Josef Vascovitz, in honor of the 75th Anniversary of the Seattle Art Museum, 2007.70
• Thunderbird Mask and Regalia, 2006, Calvin Hunt (Tlasutiwalis), Gift of the Native Arts of the Americas and Oceania Council, friends of Native American Art and the Ancient and Native American Endowment, in honor of the 75th Anniversary of the Seattle Art Museum, 2006.6, © Calvin Hunt

Theme: Sculpture Inside the Museum
• Woman on a Bed, 1963, George Segal, American, Gift of Mr. and Mrs. Bagley Wright, 77.42, Art © The George and Helen Segal Foundation/Licensed by VAGA, New York, NY
• Lead-Aluminum Plain, 1969, Carl Andre, Gift of Sidney and Anne Gerber, by exchange, and funds from the Margaret E. Fuller Purchase Fund, 77.10, Art © Carl Andre/Licensed by VAGA, New York, NY