



This show **explores** communication and storytelling through the art of letter writing and invites us to **think** about how we communicate today.



I NEED TO TELL YOU SOMETHING
YOUNG VISITOR'S GUIDE

How do you communicate?

- Phone Voice
 Computer Hands/body language
 Handwriting Art
 Other _____

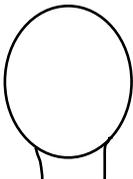
Walk around this installation with your hands by your side. Collect as much information about the artwork as you can with your eyes.



Joe Thurston

Transform your face into a sculpture of how the artwork makes you feel. Hold your pose for 8 seconds!

Draw what your face looked like:



Make a To-Don't

List

Make a To-Do

List

Find artists who use lists and notes to make their artwork. Write their names here:

FIND OTHER
WALKIE-TALKIE

Tucker Nichols

Elana de Rivero



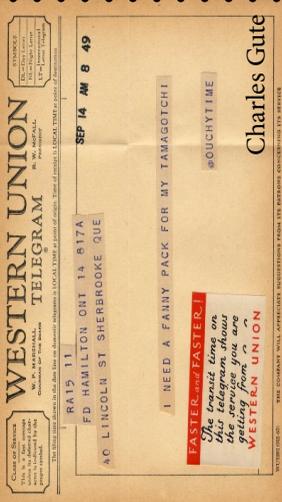
Circle the words that best describe this artwork.

- Old New
- Small Big
- Cloth Wood

What other words describe this artwork?

Dish towels remind this artist of her mother. Do you have any objects that remind you of people or places that are important to you?

Draw them here:



Nostalgia (nos-tal-gia) is a word that describes remembering something from the past that makes you happy or sad.

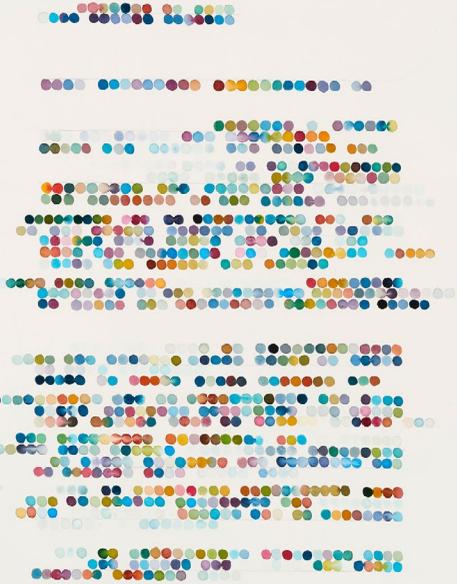
Write about a time when you experienced nostalgia:

Handwritten notes on lined paper:

Long before cell phones and computers, people sent telegrams. They were required to pay for each word and space was limited so the message had to be brief. **Challenge:** Write down the directions for how to make a bowl of cereal. Be as clear and direct as possible. Test your directions on a willing participant as see how clearly you communicated.



Gail Tarantino



This artist uses colors to code her personal letters. Have you ever invented a secret code?
Write a note in your own made up language:

Challenge: Invent your own alphabet & write a secret message with it!

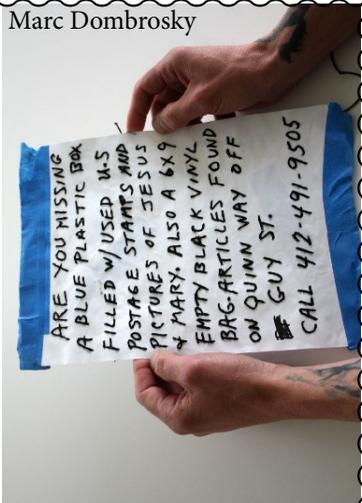
Imagine what it would feel like to run your hand over this artwork. What do you think it would feel like?

How can you tell?



Most letters end with a signature. What does your signature look like?

Marc Dombrosky



Practice stitching with a needle and thread:

1. Write or draw on a piece of thick paper.
2. Poke holes along the lines with a pin.
3. Pull your thread and needle through each of the poked holes.



Andrew Bush

What materials does this artist use?

Envelopes protect whatever is inside of them. When you are finished with this guide, tape the sides of it together to turn it into an envelope. What will you put inside?

Get Involved:

- Write a letter to someone you care about and mail it to them.
- Participate in the #NeedToTellYou and #FindOneLeaveOne movement in the community



See what the Center is up to:

- www.sunvalleycenter.org
- www.flickr.com/photos/sunvalleycenter/sets/
- www.facebook.com/sunvalleycenterforthearts



Fill-In-The-Blank

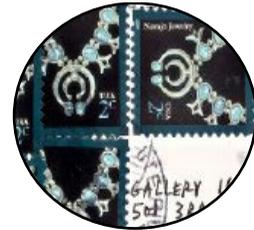
My favorite thing about visiting the museum today is _____

Add at least one sentence to the collaborative letter in the Maker Space!



Discover

What is this a close-up of?



Fill-in-the-blank:

This is a close-up of a _____.
I can tell this artist likes to _____
_____ just by
looking at his artwork.