

# BEYOND THE BRISCOE

## THE COWBOY WAY

SIGHTS, SOUNDS, AND TASTES OF THE AMERICAN WEST

### – CURATING YOUR OWN GALLERY

- You may ask yourself, what is a curator and what is their roll at a museum? A curator is a museum professional whom normally has a background in the study of art history. Curators formulate exhibit ideas often based on thematic connections which can be drawn from the museum's permanent collection of art.

Today, we encourage you to be your own curator and design an art exhibition.

This project can be fun and easy, and your imagination is the limit! In the pictures below, I have used pieces of foam core and pins to construct gallery walls but you can use a shoebox or cardboard box to create your gallery space. Simply tape white paper to your box's edges to create your blank slate.

What you will need:

- Shoe box or cardboard box
- White paper
- Tape
- Scissors
- A selection of pictures or images you like for your exhibition. These can be cut from magazines or you can use your own small drawings

Ok, now you are ready to be a curator. There are no rules, so the next steps are just to have fun!

- Move your images around to different walls to see what looks best to you visually.
- Come up with a title for your exhibition
- Use small trinkets or toys to represent sculpture if you'd like
- Photograph your mini exhibition and share it with us