

This collection has the power to show us the strength & beauty of our experiences.

It was inspiring to see all the positive aspects of what had happened. It gave me hope for the future. I want you to know that you can experience the same thing if you let go of your past.

Such things can happen to anyone.

Yolanda Petty

Amazing what a human spirit can withstand
Dot Smith

I have come to this exhibit several times - each has been as moving. One hopes we have improved - but alas in many ways have not. May this remind us of the beauty in all.

Yolanda N.
I would like to some day see an exhibit of the Japanese brought in from Latin America & their experiences at Camp Crystal in TX, Y.N.



3/2/08

I was 9 years old in
December 1941. It was
not until a decade
later that I was
aware of this act of,
indiscriminate infushee, yet
I knew even as a child
about the Jews in Europe.
It makes for uneasy parallels.

H.J.B.

U-C-O-N-N

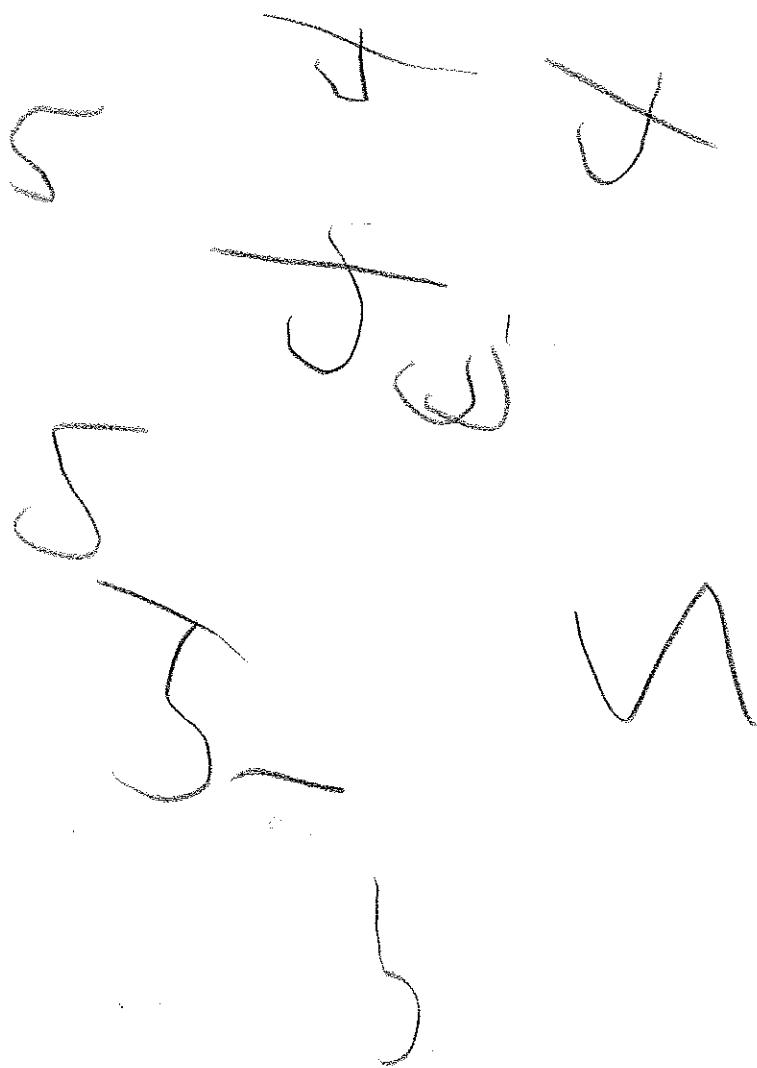
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SCONN
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↑ S. S.

Obriesty

+ Vandemere
NEPS-Woodstock

Robbie Gould



As a New Haven resident
of one common heritage I greatly
appreciate this exhibit. My Uncle
and Aunt Apols and Uncle Fred S.T.
are proudly represented.

Brother

While the camps were no paradise
we should reflect on the fact that they
were neither tortured nor mistreated while
interned. Was this true in Japan of American
detainees? Every circumstance has many
perspectives. This is but one.

Brian Merrill

Moving? Yes Important? Yes Depressing? Depends

A pretty sorry chapter for the US - but the
U. and The Brits deserve much credit for
this exhibit/experience. Good work - keep it up -
Hal Rosedt class of '69

Incredible expression of human spirits
Moved & inspired. Should be shown
to people all over the country and
the world. Thank you for sponsoring
the exhibition. Teddy John

Thank you. I hope we will be reminded
that fear can all too easily feed hatred
and undermine very ideals we hope our
Country represents. Another sad lesson...

Saito Ash Morgan

An extremely powerful and moving exhibit.
It is noteworthy that, despite these hardships,
Japanese Americans were able to find release
and some happiness in the creation of these
beautiful pieces of art that will serve as
physical reminders of their strength, and our
nation's ignorance

Anon

Very interesting and moving. We did not learn about
this in school in Japan

Chieko Nishiyama

It was very intriguing to see a mixture
of our two cultures in the artworks

Man... Governments are scary

AC

Great display for such a awful part
of our history J. Granville

"Art of Gaman"
(Art of Endurance)

Extraordinary collection of artifacts
Created by incarcerated Japanese
Americans during WWII in U.S. Con-
centration camps. Beauty, spirituality, strength
& hope - pride taken 3/17/08 of human
spirit

A tribute to the strength
of the human spirit!

Splendid.

Lisa Bishop
3/18/08

I think it's a great
exhibition and needed
now more than ever.

New York

Simple
Coop-Charter

"Making the best of everything
is everything"

Curtis

A testament to the ingenuity of the
Japanese people and an indictment of
American's unfounded prejudice

Frank Chason

Thank you for the chance to see this. I deeply
honor the people whose only outlet of expression
this art was while locked away behind barbed
wire for the crime of being born themselves. Thank
you.

Abel Monarca March 2008

EVEN IN PRISON
EVEN FORCED INTO SILENCE —
BREATHING FREEDOM

LEIGH GLOVERMAN, 3/08

These works are what gave them their sense of humanity back. LGD 08

This place is so AWESOME!

yes!!

Una - I love
this place! It's
sad though ☹

Kayla Salvas + Alicia Sanzino

2008

I am the Webress like the
blue-tongues!

Bethany Reiner, Nikki Krenkewicz, Kristina Radlo,

Love the inspiring diversity of artifacts!

- Revolution! ☺ and ☺ thanks

Do they have pets?
Sad!!

IT's sad how history just
Keeps repeating itself... the discrimination,
and injustice towards others...

Don't we, as Americans, ever learn?

~~Yah!~~
vote
Obama!

African Americans have
Never received an
~~apology~~, ~~reparation~~ or
~~respect~~ for our suffering. I hope
this exhibit gives rise to
a movement to give all
groups impacted ^{negatively} by our
government the opportunity
for the same respect!

KEVIN R. WILLIAMS

I sometimes just
get tired of war and
bad things. Everything in this
museum is very nice to look
at. It's sad toooooo. ☹

Wow America's full of jerks!
VP
Frustate You!

It's sad
B

This exhibit makes me weep. I am so ashamed of my country for how it treated some of its own citizens.
I am extremely moved, though, by the humanity of the people who made art in the midst of this suffering.
Thank you for bringing this exhibit to CT.

It's amazing how america
could do such a thing, shun
their own people. There is
blood on our hands that
can never be washed
off.

Matt 12 years old

All generation should feel shame for their act
upon Americans and Resist this Japanese.
Just as we should feel shame for our attack on Imp.
Perhaps in heaven we will see that we are the
same - for eternity. You can put a people down
it's natural but the spirit of ~~Hate~~ will always
triumph! Look at this Act, it is the root of
this sin

people had to suffer this long, because
our people (Americans) did not trust
them, i find it heartwrenching that
for years (3+1) they had to be caged
up, put shame on those who
deceived them. But when i look
on this i.e. im glad that i wasn't
there. And if i could, i would
do something uplifting, yet
heartbreakng.

- Brittany Magnus -
16 years

Montville High
American Girder

Emmett
Hausman

Audrey Collin

Alysha
Giulietti
2008

Very moving!
David

Jeffrey
Hausman

Tanya

Great Exhibit!

Nick Salutio

Joe
Furman

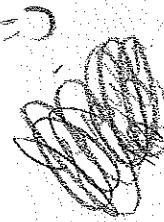
Bark
5 yrs

CC

January
2008
at the
Science
Museum

2008

megan
awesome exhibits!



Jessica Ballagena
2008
- cool art ☺

The day is over.
How many weet
and all the things
they went so far
they eat what
what happened
unique animals
it's amazing

2008
Nichole (Tommie)
Delaney
Stacey &
Jill

love the
tongues ^{ooo}
Sydney
me too!

Very
pretty ☺
Natalie

March 25th

Awesome Japanese Art very stunning

and very inspiring

- Botomia

March 25th

Very cool. Highly recommend

M. Bush Kotter

March 25th, 2008

This exhibit opens people's eyes and minds.

- Thomas M. Biffle

Very interesting
title +
Beautiful
Pieces
of Art

Turquoise
Candy Cane
stars with scars.
Skin absolutely
slim & smooth
I'm absolutely
in love with him
I'm so
proud of my son
I was
~~Candy Cane~~

I'm absolutely amazed at
all of this go beyond
all of this go beyond
artwork! Fabi Varey
2008

The exhibit
is beautiful
15 - Taxicab
60 - Dog
- Taxicab

The art is absolutely amazing!

Jeff 3.26.08

I find it quite interesting
that wonderful artwork
could be done with such little
material or faith. They really
did fight for their Dignity and
show us that they didn't give
up.

Lorraine Parker
3/25/08

Nancy P.
3/25/08

What a beautiful testament
to their "Strength, Dignity and Soul".

Nancy Parker 3/26/08

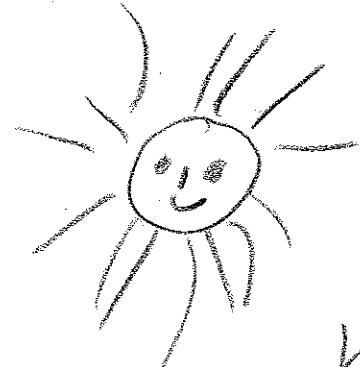
3/26/08 How inventive these
people were.
Jan Cressy

Just so Touching
3/27/08
matthe

Fred Pellegrini
1938

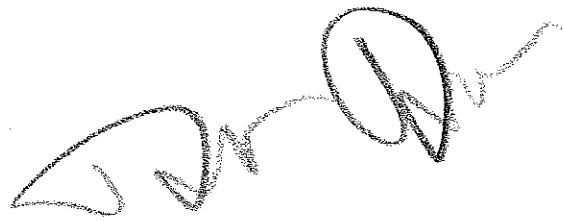
Bad Panni
was here 

Jen G.
here



P.T.
Boyz!!!

R.I.M.



Bird Pins is what's up!

-Reba

Holla!! to that ↑

-Gina

You have effectively brought to light an off-overlooked moment in our history which we should not be allowed to forget or dismiss. Thank you.

—TMF

It was stated earlier that all generations should feel shame for what we Americans did back then. Although Pearl Harbor was a tragedy the Japanese Americans we had nothing to do with it. The Japanese people are a proud and enlightened people. Their art and culture shows that here

Japan

This museum was great!
This is the one
the bats I liked best is
I might ^{writing} this story in my journal.
From Amelia

I think that I like the
this is a work and
clever idea now every
congratulations thing is done
beautiful
time

Every one always
thinks about
changing the
world. No one
ever thinks
about changing
themselves.

Yash

Quote by

Leo Tolstoy

"Be the change you wish
to see in the world."

- Mohandas K. Gandhi

My favorite part of this Exhibit
is the woodwork! The
sculpted animals are amazing!

I Love the Benton

Re!



Sally S.
This was fun!
She's a  & nice


Sarah

↓
I know her
she's German!

Yvonne

Diese Ausstellung
ist spitze! Ich mag
die Bilder!

F ❤ Sheely, too!

Lorraine Johnson
08/08


Travis

EMMA

This exhibit
was awesome!

B
I'm in
Munich

Barbara
It's cool!
Wet doge!

3.28.08

Angelina
Hannah
Breakfast
Coco 3/28/08

Katherine Lay
Austine

3/28/08

This is an eye opening exhibition on so many
levels that I just have to thank you
for bringing it to Stow. TH 3/28/08

Thank you for bringing this
moving exhibit to us. The
Aleuts have a similar
terrifying and inspiring story.

Cathy Atte

Ballin

After a year's
stay in Japan this
without touched my
heart & soul. Sean Kubek
Barbara

Left for the Island
of Naxos
Tore the ship
in the middle
of the ocean.

Wrote the
memories
of the trip
from Gva
to Sicily

3/26/08

It's my 20th birthday today!

P.S. Benton is
cool, I guess!

UC conn



My party for
earns by me
tonight

It breaks my
heart let naked
my soul sing so
forsaken! J. S.

Marilyn Ribadeau d'Alton Age 21

English Major & Writer

From Stamford County was
Hello! - This was done ✓

very touchy subject

-Sue L. Baker

Thank you for this exhibit. Both my Ba-chan and Ji-chan were in these internment camps. Ji-chans camp was Tule Lake and Ba-chans was Manzanar.

~Kyle & Koko Kumasaka

This is wonderful. It helps me to understand my heritage so much more. Much of what we learnt from this exhibit allows me to gain a information that my parents gave me. My family (parents, grandmother and father) were in Tule Lake Camp. I was born there.) Thank you.

Lillian Oba Atkins

~~Re:~~ this is all so beautiful

thought provoking
the human need to
create and express
even (or maybe especially)
in the face of opposition
and its impact on individual
and culture development
the process is beautiful
and thank you for its
usefulness and
inspiration

I had the pleasure of helping to install this exhibit and take it down. I found it very interesting and moving. I'm glad this has become a traveling exhibit that other parts of the country will be able to view.

- Gary Borowitz

Remembering Farfan and Tafay

These are just names being mentioned,
and about eaches memory there
means a lot, with a bit of sadness.

John Hancock

I'm speechless. What have we done? The exhibit
is breathtaking! Catherine Kalena

Amazing!!
K. H.

Uplifting despite a national shame.

David M.

and inspiring
An amazing exhibit of a painful history

Lynne Martin Bloom

Thank you for this amazing exhibit. Everyone
in Amerika should see it.

A. Haeklman

The nation's fears were not unfounded
as the enemy was real; an unfortunate
function of the circumstance, but ~~more~~ - ~~the~~
~~less~~ a shameful chapter of history in
America. *Mark Spiegel*

Thank you! Well done!
Racism Was and Is
an unfortunate part of
our Society!

All I could see was the overcoming and creative
spirit of these artists and artisans.

I'm very impressed. I'd love to see more
exhibits like this

It is a national shame but to put this in the
perspective of the day a lot worse could
have happened.

In the Ukraine 20 million people
Starved to death.

In Nazi Germany 50 million
Gypsies, gays, gypsies, artists
And Jews died.

WTF

In America 1 man was shot.
It is sad, but it is by no means
the worst that happened.

It should be a lesson to us all
that all lives can die Americans
And the Government.

Should NOT happen!

Melissa

~~Excellent Exhibit~~ ~~The~~ ~~by Dr.~~

So much beauty
from so much
sadness.

HCD

Thank you! For not
only visiting my class, but
making this exhibit open
to us. I sincerely hope
that history will never
repeat itself.

Bry

Another nice job

Very Well done - Very educating, H.A.

Humans continue
to upset and amaze me.
Such is the cycle that
seems to be repeated.
Very wonderful exhibit

Joe Gabby

Dominic Jamie
Sam
Dynelle Nice job!!

Exhibit 7
A M SOME

This is an extremely
new perspective
for me. All I can say
is...


My father did ~~Heaney~~
was in the U.S. Army during
W.W.II in Italy. He fought be side
a Joe American Co. Said they
fought well and proved themselves.
God Bless them all.

WOW
I never
knew...

Amazing
to see it
is good

2/2/08 what
I personally experienced was
a whole new appreciation for
the things they made out
of such limited material

Beautiful
exhibit, DC

+ while enduring such suffering
is touching. The human spirit
is so resilient!

With
Sincerely,
Julianne D. D.
D.C.

This is the Unique experience of a lifetime!
Rfat. C (Class of '11)

This is an
awesome exhibit.
Very artistic
and creative - K.Z.

Very artsy exhibit
love the wood work
and the shells.

-I.L.

I LOVE
the bird
and animal pins.
I have a cockatiel
named Titi and
one looks like her.
THANKS for
bringing the
exhibit to the
Benton - MC

An overly romanticized, glossy
view of the artists that word
came from illegally locking word
up citizens and non citizens
based on racial profiling,
sanitized suffering, money/men

This is not glossy or romanticized.
This exhibit shows that beauty and
creativity can survive injustice.

The soul is stronger ...

ZB

Another example of American Ignorance. But this also shows that Americans are humble enough to admit their mistakes.

Very Beautiful and intricate details. It once again proves that the humanities come to the rescue every time the human soul is full of emotion

- H.T

→ What is your point in saying this other than to be generally negative?

This was a lovely retrospective and I enjoyed it very much.

It's just amazing that people imprisoned with almost nothing were able to turn scraps of flotsam into art. Laurel

This will happen again
the hate will toward
Muslim Americans spread
with Fear

People who

Our country against them
will be violent.

NO BY
people

2/15/08
Members of my family were interned at Poston. This darkly beautiful exhibit reminds me of the injustice, disgrace & embarrassment in history. I will always hold significant moment in the highest regard and respect for the you for his exhibit.

Word, See we all have to hold on and be strong.

~ Tonya P.

On mane plane hum

Courtney
Walker

I love
you -
Dawn Shum

Hoon E Kim

Dawn Shum

My grandparents never complained
- D.E.K.

SMF

W O W !

not

This is amazing!

Dorothy Lindhoff
and

David Lindhoff

9B Sycamore Dr. our liberators,
Stonington, CT 06368

Your exhibition
is more critical today
than ever - we must
remember what fear
can drive us to do -
Now we surrender our
civil rights to the "War
on Terror" when has

become a war on

Robert
Jenay

Americans need to look

inside themselves - yes,
you can
it, happen again!

Terry Good Rees

Kennee
Getfield

Jessica
Edwards

WPS

John

Spiegelberg
Kaufman



It reminded me
of the time when
I didn't feel like
carrying my jacket...

I loved it
I loved off
the oft work
I also loved
the saying.

B. CARROLL B

What a way for children to learn history!
J. Linquist

The tiny flowers
made from shells,
were amazing!

See A Good Exhibit!

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Anonymous

(Tiffany
Schroeder)

Anyone interested in this quote should
read The Things They Carried by Tim O'Brien.
Beautiful exhibit !! ES

It was amazing
All the art was Amazing!
A. Anderson

Woot I is very
interesting love it :)

Everything was very empowering!!
Enjoyed it a lot!

-Kevin Closter

As a UConn alum
+ Japanese-American,
I'm truly touched
by this exhibit.

Erika Yamada
Graalecki
UConn '05

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a beautiful
memory of a
loved past

- Erika
Graalecki
2010

I'm very impressed. My mother's uncle
was in that camp.
just a tour & from 1pm, so I'm glad I had
these exhibits. This will help me learn
more about it.

Francesca Richard 9/21/2008
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