



UNDER the HOOD (Museum that is)

Or, “The Social Life of Things”

Have you ever wondered what museums keep behind the scenes in their storerooms? Or have you ever wondered what those peculiar objects from exotic foreign places can tell us?

Or would you like a hands-on experience working with objects in the museum? Figuring out what a puzzling object is, how it was made or used, or what it can tell us about the human experience? Have you ever designed your own exhibition?

Look Behind the Scenes in this Special Course offering for Spring 2006: Museum Anthropology (ANTH 12.4)



During the term students will look closely at an exhibition at the Hood Museum entitled “Coaxing the Spirits to Dance,” which opens March 31, 2006. Later it will travel to the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York.

We will consider what goes into making a museum exhibition and just what museum visitors take away from viewing an exhibit.

Sign up for ANTH 12.4 and get a real hands-on experience learning about the social lives of things in our very own Hood Museum.