

Wednesday digest

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- Lil Copan on [artwork by Sonja Olson](#), whose "intention is that these objects be seen not solely as artworks but as remnants of a life." (subscription required)

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