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The City Reliquary Museum presents: "Collectors' Night" An evening For, By, and About COLLECTING, COLLECTORS, and COLLECTIONS

Featuring the StoryCorps Project by David Isay's Sound Portrait Productions
The World Premier of The Poo Syndicate's film "The Flea Market Project"
Collecting experts, Richard Roth, and Leah Dilworth,
And displayed collections of all kinds.

Wednesday, February 23, 2005, 7:30 PM doors open at 7:00PM Union Pool, (corner of Union and Meeker Sts. under the BQE; **Williamsburgh**, Brooklyn)

On Wednesday night, the City Reliquary is honored to present "Collectors' Night," a celebration of unique, fanciful and eccentric collections, presented by the people who collect them. The program will feature audio from the Sound Portraits' StoryCorps project, films about collecting and that serve as collections, and a panel discussion moderated by Long Island University English Department Chair Leah Dilworth and Q&A on collecting and collectors. "Collectors' Night" will also feature the personal collections of postcards, vintage bicycles, bottle caps, baseball cards, geological artifacts and anything else deemed collectable by those in attendance.

Audio documentary producers from David Isay's **StoryCorps** project will present and discuss their work. StoryCorps is a national project aimed at teaching and inspiring people to recount and record stories in sound. There is a StoryCorps recording booth set-up in Grand Central Terminal where anyone can reserve time to record an interview with any friend, relative or relation of their choosing. The participants receive a CD recording of their interviews. Recorded stories are archived in the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C. and may be featured as radio interviews on NPR.

West Virginian arts collective, the Poo Syndicate, will screen the world premier of "**The Flea Market Project**," a documentary on collecting in flea markets throughout southern Ohio and West Virginia. Brooklyn film artist Greg King (of the band "The Rachel's") will premier "**Manhattan Canyon**," a diptych video archive of Manhattan's skyline viewed from within.

Story Corps' producers, King, members of the Poo Syndicate and artist/ collecting expert Richard Roth will take part in a panel discussion moderated by **Long Island University English Department Chair Leah Dilworth**. Ms. Dilworth is the editor of "Acts of Possesion - Collecting in America."

Admission, to benefit the City Reliquary, is a suggested donation of \$5.00 (larger, tax deductible donations to the City Reliquary may be made to its parent organization, the Brooklyn Arts Council).

The City Reliquary Museum is a not-for-profit organization that hosts a window display museum of New York City artifacts and a rotating display featuring local collectors. The Museum is located on the corner of Grand & Havemeyer Streets in **Williamsburgh**, Brooklyn. The display is on view and free to the public 24 hours a day.