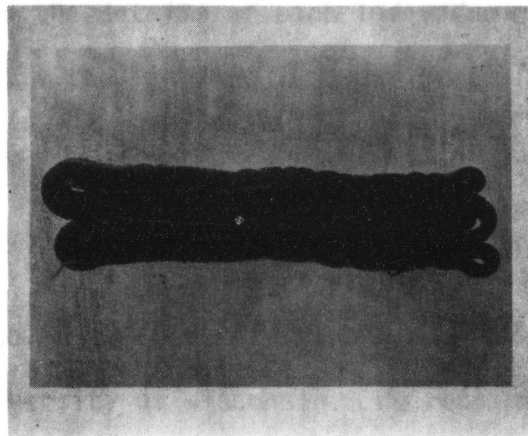


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PROJECTS: DONALD LIPSKI



Over two thousand tiny sculptures mounted on a thirty-two-foot gallery wall will be the next exhibition in The Museum of Modern Art's continuing PROJECTS series exploring some of the latest directions in contemporary art. On view in the Museum's Far West gallery from February 8 through March 18, PROJECTS: DONALD LIPSKI is being directed by Barbara London.

Lipski calls his composition Gathering Dust and has been assembling it for nearly seven years--often while engaged in such everyday activities as walking down the street or having dinner with friends. Barbara London explains: "In constructing these miniatures, first Lipski spontaneously picks up fragments of discarded materials, such as broken glass, rubber bands, thread, and matches, which he compulsively combines and transforms into objects. He stores the sculptures by the hundreds in cigar boxes, daily recording their number.

"As Lipski's collection of sculpture expands, so can his wall compositions, and he is particularly interested in the fact that his configurations are potentially infinite. For an installation, Donald Lipski selects and intuitively arranges the works in a gridlike configuration, individually attaching the pieces with T-pins an inch or so off the wall. He pays attention to the details of each individual item in Gathering Dust, and carefully controls the lighting in order to emphasize the pieces' diversity."

Born in Chicago in 1947, Donald Lipski studied history as an undergraduate at the University of Wisconsin. He received his M.F.A. from the Cranbrook Academy of Art in Detroit, where he worked with sculpture and pottery. He was on the faculty at the University of Oklahoma before coming to New York one year ago. He has also worked with film, video, and photography, and has had exhibitions in this country and abroad.

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