American Folks
CONTEMPORARY FOLK ART: TREASURES FROM THE SMITHSONIAN

What do an 1820s gravestone, a Civil War memory quilt from the 1880s, an elaborate inlaid table finished about 1925, and a 6-foot-tall giraffe made of bottle caps have in common? They all will be on display at the History Center this fall.

The exhibit, which will blend a Smithsonian Museum of American Art treasures exhibit with a component on Western Pennsylvania folk art curated by Doug McCombs, will concentrate as much on the folk as it does on the art.

Come visit this exhibit to marvel at the national treasures of American art on display, and gain a new appreciation for the craftsmanship, style, and traditions that inspired folk artists from this region.

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