

# LONGWOOD CENTER FOR THE VISUAL ARTS

## OBJECT ANALYSIS WORKSHEET

Select one piece in the exhibition. Stop, look, and observe the piece you have selected.  
Use the questions below to begin to describe and interpret the work.

### **Description-What do you see?**

1. What type of object is this work? (i.e. painting, sculpture, drawing, photograph etc...)
2. How did the artist(s) make the work? What materials or techniques did they use?
3. Describe the colors you see. How do the colors make you feel?
4. Describe the scale or size of the piece. Does the scale affect how you view the work?
5. What is the subject of the work? Is there a narrative or story- or is the piece more abstract and non-figurative?
6. Is there anything else you notice about the work that you think is important to mention?

## **Interpretation- What does it mean?**

1. In just a few sentences can you state what you think the work is about and what the artist is trying to convey to the viewer? Use evidence and specific examples from the artwork to support your statement.
2. Does the work have an artist's statement? If so, what did you learn from reading the artist's comments on their work?
3. Read the label for the work- Does the title, date, or location of the artist affect how you view the piece?
4. Why did you select this piece to analyze- why were you drawn to the piece?
5. Why do you think the work was selected to be a part of this exhibition?