Object Fields

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"A bedroom is a room in which there is a bed; a dining-room is a room in which there are a table and chairs, and often a side board; a sitting-room is a room in which there are armchairs and a couch..." (The apartment, Georges Perec)

"Despite its apparent innocence, furniture arrangement is an act of conquest in which space surrenders its playful adolescence..."

(After Space, Louis Weinthal)

Object Fields was a third year Undergraduate Design Studio with a focus on spatial organizations defined by the active role of objects. Rather than looking at objects as a the last layer to populate space, the studio embraced the agency latent in objects as generators of spatial configurations. With a particular emphasis on the documentation, production, and placement of objects in space, participants in the studio explored a series of proposals where content became container of space and traditional content-container relationships were blurred.

The final project was the design of an exhibition space for a collection of objects of the students choosing. Students negotiated the different scales of the object (closely associated with the body) the user and the room. The design of a display system turned into the design of a virtual scaffold of the room. The direct relationships between the objects, the body, the display, and their impact on space, guided the design proposals in this studio.

Featured Student's work by Sheridan Treadwell, Erin D Hamilton and Ronnie William Marquez.

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