

# GETTING TO KNOW THE ARTIST...

## CHRIS RAMSAY



### KNOWN FOR:

- >ASSEMBLAGE
- >FOUND OBJECT ART
- >JEWELRY
- >METALSMITHING

### NATIONALITY:

- >AMERICAN

Began by collecting and arranging found objects in meaningful ways. Incorporates themes of conservation and life cycles to commemorate moments in time and inspire a moment of introspective investigation.

## VIEW / DISCUSS

### What is a **FOUND OBJECT**?

- >An everyday object that usually holds little monetary value but holds great personal value
- >By combining multiple found objects, artists can make a thought provoking connection

Ramsay's method for making art:

- >**RE-PURPOSE** objects to make a new meaning
- >**COMBINE** objects to make connections
- >**REPETITION** of similar objects to signify importance



Collection One 1994. Etched copper, wood, patinas, found objects



Luna. 2002. Sculpture, steel, bronze, resin, postcards



Meditations in Stillwater No. 4. 2007. Brooch, etched steel, bronze, found objects

WHAT SHAPES DO YOU SEE?  
HOW ARE SHAPES USED IN RAMSAY'S ARTWORK?



As You Save... So You Prosper. 2000 (first edition). Ten 5" x 4" diameter globes of similar size and shape, displayed side-by-side on a 4' shelf, each featuring a different National Park postage stamp from the 1934-35 commemorative series and soil. (Right) Detail of one of the globes.

