Bad at Sports (BaS) is a weekly podcast and daily blog produced in Chicago that features artists, arts writers, curators and other cultural practitioners talking about art and the community that participates in it. Founded in 2005 as a podcast by Duncan MacKenzie and Richard Holland the website has been expanded to include a blog, overseen by Meg Onli and Claudine Ise, that features news, interviews, editorials, and reviews. With its primary hub in Chicago, BaS is the midwest’s most trafficked art blog, while the podcast has grown to become international in scope thanks to contributors stationed in San Francisco, New York City, London and Zurich. BaS’s archive currently holds over 230 hours of audio interviews with arts professionals, while the blog contains hundreds of reviews and editorial essays on the subject of contemporary art in Chicago and beyond.

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Bad at Sports would like to thank...

So, wait a minute, I thought **Bad at Sports** was a podcast and blog published by an artist collective – what in the hell is all of this stuff?

Indeed you are correct, we are a blog and podcast, but let me tell you we are so much more! This show is the first exhibition of our physical archive. We had already developed a large archive of audio interviews and writing, and we wanted to expand the possible methods of pursuing our mission of educating the public about the contemporary art landscape (flavored heavily with snarky humor). The goal was to collect objects, scraps, art, and bric-a-brac from the people we have worked with over the course of the past five years. We contacted all of the past participants and asked them to send us an artifact to memorialize our time together.

So while there is art in the show, it isn’t really an art show, it is more of a gallery sized Wunderkammer, a cabinet of wonders. It is full of unusual objects, artworks, books, and bric-a-brac in and out of the donor’s oeuvre.

Additionally this exhibition is the debut of a new project “You got questions, we’ll get answers!” In tandem with our educational mission, we also strive to circumvent the dogmatic caste system that often exists in the art world. This project allows you to ask a question of the art universe, either specifically or generally. So if you want clarity as to the opaque method of submitting your work to galleries, or if you wonder if Jeff Koons is a vapid asshole or not, we will do the leg work and get you an answer.
Unpictured but received from.....

161. Jacob C. Hammes & Allison Peters Quinn  
   (Roof sculpture and letters)
162. Tom Burtonwood  
   (Geometric sculpture)
163. John Lee  
   (Slides and mess)
164. Death by Design  
   (Gift basket)
168. Celeb J. Lyons  
   (Video piece on chair)
169. Marlene Russum Scott  
   (Blue bat)

unnumbered. Michelle Grabner  
   (Yellow brick)
unnumbered Gail Simpson and Aris Georgiades  
   (Wood cube)
unnumbered Christopher Hudgens  
   (Video in External Window)
unnumbered Ben Tanner and Christian Kuras  
   (by request)
unnumbered Judy Ledgerwood  
   (by request)

Received from......

8. James Rondeau
9. Elizabeth Chodos
10. Astrid Honold, Fendry Ekel, Folkert de Jong
11. Mary Jane Jacob
12. Lisa Dorin
13. Anne Elizabeth Moore
14. Astrid Honold, Fendry Ekel, Folkert de Jong
15. Joanna MacKenzie
16. Stuart Keeler & Amanda Browder
17. Neysa Page-Lieberman
18. Carol Becker
19. Brian Holmes
20. Debora Wood
Received from.....

21. Oli Watt
22. Brian Shannon
23. Ivan Brunetti
24. Chris Duncan
25. Alex Meszmer & Reto Müller
26. Industry of the Ordinary-
   Mat Wilson & Adam Brooks
27. John Wanzel
28. Amanda Browder
29. Tony Wight
30. Monique Meloche
31. Peter Fagundo
32. Temporary Services
33. InCubate
34. Chad Kouri

Received from.....

148. Guerra De La paz
149. Caroline Picard
150. Mike Benedetto
151. Alex Meszmer & Reto Müller
152. Vera Klement
153. Michael Anderson
154. Davis - Langlois
155. Maximilian Holland
156. Terrence Hannum
157. Tom Sanford
158. Chis Walla
159. Richard Holland
160. Helidon Gjergji
165. Anna Kunz
166. Anthony Elms
Received from...

123. David Morgan
124. Jim Elkins
125. Craig Houser
126. Jim Elkins
127. Les Rogers
128. M.N. Hutchinson
129. Paul Gabrielli
130. Craig Houser
131. Joseph Mohan
132. David Robbins
133. Nathaniel Stern
134. Desirée Holman
135. Jeremy Deller
136. Curtis Mann
137. Brian Andrews
138. Jay Wolke
139. David J. Getsy
140. Lisa Stone
141. Julian Myers
142. Mark Francis
143. Deb Sokolow
144. Lorelei Stewart
145. Leo Koenig
146. Stephanie Burke
147. Tracy Marie Taylor

Received from...

35. Scott Hug
36. Tony Tasset
37. Raymond Pettibon
38. Jose Lerma
39. Pamela Fraser
40. Laura Clark
41. Mark Booth
42. Kat Parker
43. Peter Saul
44. Atsushi Kaga
45. William Staples
46. Atsushi Kaga
47. Chris Ware
48. Robert Reinard
49. Tony Matelli
50. Jamisen Ogg
Received from...

167. Kavi Gupta Gallery

104. Philip von Zweck
105. Scott Spek
106. Trevor Paglen
107. Jonathan Watkins
108. Dominic Molon
109. Wendy Cooper
110. Mark Pascale
111. Alex Meszmer & Reto Müller
112. Shannon Stratton
113. Tracy Candido
114. James Cuno
115. Paul Klein
116. Gavin Turk
117. Erik Wenzel, 65Grand
118. Kathryn Wakeman
119. William Conger
120. Julie Rodriguez Widholm
121. Madeline Grynsztejn
122. Jeff Wall
Received from...

91. Edmar Marszewski
92. Tony Feher
93. Dan S. Wang
94. Cody Hudson submitted by Dan Devening
95. Duncan MacKenzie & Christian Kuras
96. Sarah Guernsey
97. Ron Terada
99. Chris Duncan
100. Lane Relyea
101. Steve Litsios
102. Paddy Johnson & Phillip Niemeyer
103. Annika Marie

Received from...

51. Elijah Burgher
52. Eric May
53. Lou Mallozzi
54. William Dolan
55. Corbett vs Dempsey
56. Damian Duffy
57. Jeff Hoke
58. Alex Jovanovich
59. David Jones
60. Liam Gillick
61. Randall Scott
62. Clare Britt
63. Larry Rinder
64. Jacob Dyrenforth
65. Scott Oliver
66. Illinois Arts Council/
    Alex Shapiro
67. Mary Rachel Fanning
68. Mary Rachel Fanning
69. Michael Velliquette
70. Carol Jackson
71. Anne Wilson
72. Tim Ivison
73. Dylan Graham
74. Gregg Bordowitz
75. Meg Onli
76. Emily Prince &
    Sean O’Dell
77. Rochelle Feinstein
78. Elvia Rodriguez Ochoa
79. Nicole Awai
80. John Phillips
Received from...

81. Jim Duignan
82. No Longer Empty/ Manon Slome
83. Christine Tarkowski & Tom Langford
84. Barbara Keonen
85. Gregory Knight
86. Miguel Cortez
87. Steve Lacy
88. Philadelphia art community
89. Claire Pentecost
90. Tony Fitzpatrick
98. Anni Holm

a. Instruction Video
b. Video Booth