

DAN DOWD Selections/Summer 2024

Opening Reception
First Friday July 5, 5-7PM

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image: ATTACHMENTS rain jacket, inner tube 11 x 15 x 4 inches

Selections

Materials, fibers and frequently patinas are often a motivation for my work, but sometimes a single object can drive the piece entirely. Documentation of items, events, people and places are ideas that I work with. I am thoughtful about all of these things and by documenting and working with them I find fulfillment. The patinas I am attracted to convey to me a sense of trauma or tragedy and sometimes humor. Working with these items provides them a second chance, usually under different circumstances.

Histories recorded on material surfaces through manufacture, use, wear and maculation inform the choices I make with my recent assemblage/construction. Fragments of clothing once beloved or wishedfor make their way with other fragments of metal or rubber, setting the ground work for relationships and inquiry. Clothing given to me that was once owned by someone I knew is used for portraits. Suggestions of body parts, humor, and identity play supporting roles in all of these pieces. Extending life through this work and documenting repair and re-use reoccur as important themes.

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URCING 2024 suede jacket, inner tube on wood 11 x 13 1/2 x 3 inches



UNTITLED 2021 inner tube, fabric, on wood 25 x 16 x 3 inches



I'M BACK (ARM) 2024 inner tube, rain jacket, on wood 12 x 13 x 3 inches



UNTITLED 2021 inner tube, fabric, on wood 20 x 21 x 3 inches



UNTITLED 2016 fabric, inner tube, on wood 8 x 22 x 1 1/2 inches



TAPPING IT...NOT TOO HARD 2024 inner tube, fabric on wood 8 x 22 1 1/2 inches



ATLAS 2024 rubber, fabric, on wood 27 x 10 x 2 inches