

Thrill of the hunt

Finding beauty in the strangest places



Collective couple Joy and Mark Indursky run the design and collectibles business, Lost Found Art LLC. Here, they stand in front of some of the collectibles that fill their North Stamford home.

By Beth Cooney

When Mark Indursky found the hulking, metal hospital gurney at a flea market, all he could see was potential.

His wife, Joy, saw a piece of bulky, ugly junk. And morbid junk at that. "I said, 'That's it, Mark. Enough. You have really gone too far this time.'"

Mark reached for his wallet, signaling to Joy she would have to learn to live with the gurney. For in that 1950s relic, Mark saw good design, vintage materials and "a really cool chaise if you add some purple cushions."

"Look at it," he says, contorting the old metal to show off its flexibility. Months after taking it home, he continues to champion its off-beat, retro good looks and potential as a home furnishing, although it remains in his basement workshop. "I mean, add the upholstery and it's going to be neat. And I bet

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A world in detail "Betty" in closeup is a feast for the eyes. Often the Indurskys use clients' personal items to complete the project. "Things like old charms or pieces of letters or invitations, little things people have been hanging onto for years," Joy Indursky says.



Form and sound Vintage microphones are paired with a dressmaker's form named "Betty." The couple have fun creating commissions that resemble Betty, their original sculpture based on the 1930s concept of memory jars. The couple glues items such as stamps, buttons, Cracker Jack toys, discarded jewels and coins on mannequins or busts to create colorful, personal mosaics.

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