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DRAWING FROM LIFE: THE JOURNAL AS ART

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The impulse to record our daily lives on paper is nothing if not universal. Still, only a few of us have the discipline to make it past the first few entries, and create diaries whose insight and visual beauty can inspire anyone but their authors. *Drawing from Life: The Journal As Art* is an exploration of these exceptions---books of obsessive wonder filled to their borders with drawings, sketches, watercolors, graphs, charts, lists, collages, portraits and photographs. UCSB Arts Library Collection of Artist/Sketchbook Journals and those in Special Collections give us a peek at how artistic souls observe, reflect, explore, and create. The class will be taught in conjunction with the University Art Museum's exhibition April 5- May 14 of "Dan Elden: The Journey is the Destination" .