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## DIY Conceptualism

Concept art can be easy, fun, and unpretentious! Simply archive moments that you find interesting using everyday materials. Don't forget to sign your work!

When this idea was new, people liked it so much that conceptual art got bought top-dollar by museums. Thanks to the sacrifices of those early conceptual artists, we are now able to incorporate concept art into our lives without getting all worked up about it.



**Figure 1**



**Figure 2**

Your local tavern may be the perfect place to make art. **Figure 1:** Accidental Burn Piece by Tammy Wang. On February 2 2003, Tammy Wang I think let her cigarette fall off the ashtray and on to a napkin. Someone noticed this before the napkin caught fire. I declared it as art so I would have an excuse to save the napkin that almost caught fire. **Figure 2:** April 28 2002, Table Drawing. Nicole Jensen + I made a mess on the table at the Dinkytown. We had spilled the ashtray all over it, which was wet from everyone's beer glasses. We spread the ashes around and collaboratively constructed a drawing with the mess. (Just like that scene in the Basquiat movie, except we weren't hitting on the waitress.) Then I wiped up the mess with a napkin, and Nicole and I signed it,

making it art. Just because it's a drawing or a painting doesn't make it art. But if you sign it, it becomes art!



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