# MOVIE OBJECTS (17)

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**OBJECT | MOVIE | d. DIRECTOR IN CAPS | YEAR**

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**LOST OBJECTS 2:** [INTRODUCTION](http://www.hilobrow.com/2019/10/01/lost-objects-2intro/) | Joe Yonan on [MACRAMÉ ART](http://www.hilobrow.com/2019/10/06/lost-objects-27-2/) (ill. Theo Ellsworth) | Ben Katchor on [LUCITE CARRYING CASE](http://www.hilobrow.com/2019/10/12/lost-objects-29/) | Debbie Millman on [GLASS POODLE](http://www.hilobrow.com/2019/10/30/lost-objects-35/) | Lydia Millet on [*ROCKY HORROR* NOVEL](http://www.hilobrow.com/2019/11/05/lost-objects-37/) (ill. Berta Valló) | Ben Greenman on [WARHOL CAN](http://www.hilobrow.com/2019/11/08/lost-objects-38/) (ill. Clara Selina Bach) | [& 20 MORE](http://www.hilobrow.com/tag/lost-objects2/).

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