shared decluttering

clutter management through shared experience

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initial point of view

we met



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we were amazed to realize that they

keep things in storage, forget what's there, buy new things

it would be game-changing to give people better awareness of how they organize space and possessions

needfinding, round two



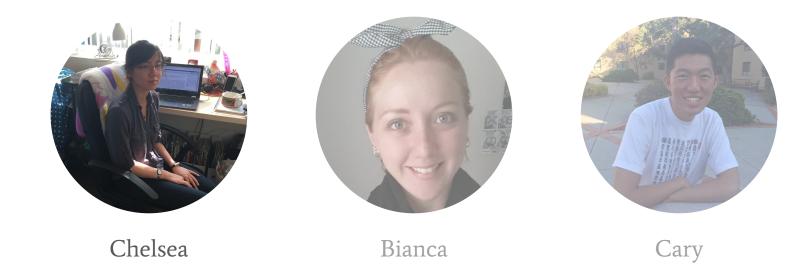




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Cary



"I'm assembling a museum of myself"



wants to bring objects into the home to make it more personal challenged by limited space and guilt created by new purchases



hoarding of clutter due to fear of future attachment







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Chelsea

we met

Chelsea, a journalist/book critic living in a very small room

we were amazed to realize that she

leaves big boxes of sentimental objects with parents

it would be game-changing to

keep the meaningfulness of these objects without the hassle

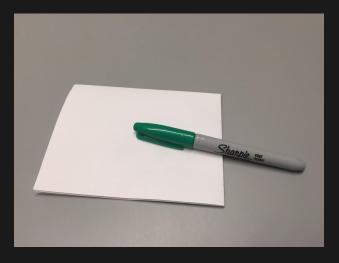
how might we make seemingly useless sentimental objects a more relevant part of life?

sisterhood of the traveling pants
passing objects

assumptions

people are willing to give up sentimental possessions if they know receiver genuinely wants the gift

shared experiences act as an incentive to do so











- immediate acknowledgement of possession of sentimental yet useless objects
- felt good giving bracelet to someone who would value



- awkward exchange

experience prototype

assumptions

people are willing to give up sentimental possessions if they know receiver genuinely wants the gift shared experiences act as an incentive to do so

validated assumption

people are more willing to part with unused sentimental objects if they know they will be meaningfully treated



Chelsea







Bianca



Cary



Bianca

we met

Bianca, a student who travels every three months

we were amazed to realize that she

uses luggage as storage for clothes that are out of season, but forgets what's in it

it would be game-changing to help her not not feel restrained by space

how might we help keep track of and fully utilize luggage and/or storage?

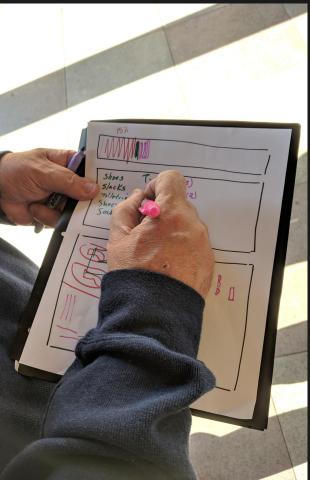
home outside of home

packing assistant

assumption

people find value in visualizing their items and planning beforehand when deciding what to pack







- convenient
- relevant & familiar information



- not as practical for short trips
- lack of 3D visualization
- lack of split compartments

assumption

people value visualizing their items and plan beforehand when deciding what to pack

new assumption

packing visualizations would be more useful for long-term travelers



Bianca







Bianca



Cary



Cary

we met

Cary, a Stanford CS (AI) senior and a semi-professional Youtuber

we were amazed to realize that he

keeps random objects that he doesn't necessarily feel an emotional connection with at the moment, for fear of developing feelings in the future

it would be game-changing to

help him reconcile his emotions in a way that doesn't take up as much physical space

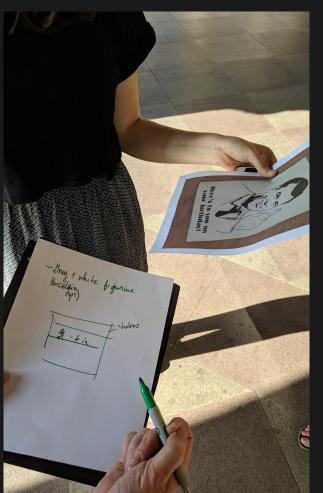
how might we convert sentimental objects into new experiences that don't take up physical space?

end of year bonfire
social decluttering

assumption

opinions of others are effective in finding inspiration and/or functionality in sentimental but otherwise useless objects







- creatively stimulating
- fun & exciting
- facilitate communication



- suggesting party emotionally removed
- suggested actions often risky& pointless

assumption

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new assumptions

act of generating ideas for others is exciting

but there may be more friction in executing more risk-averse, creative ideas

key takeaways

emotional confidence passing objects



shared experience social decluttering

decluttering of items with lesser sentimental value benefits from shared and creative experiences

taking care of more sentimental objects benefits from personal connection to, or reassurance from, the receiver

questions?