

Clink!

Beauty of the Mundane

November 19, 2025 - February 19, 2026

Explore the beauty within the ordinary with a variety of mismatched mugs and observe their unique details as well as what brings them together. Each mug serves the same purpose, yet they all hold their own stories and memories. Immerse yourself in the charm of the mundane, now until February 19th.

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About the Collection

Clink! Beauty of the Mundane explores the intricate stories that our everyday items hold, whether or not we can see it on the surface. The collection features a series of various mugs, each with their own personal and nostalgic meanings that are distinguishable alongside their unique appearances.

Without the stories and memories that make our belongings so treasured, they would serve nothing more than their original purposes with minimal emotional attachment.

It is the people and places in our lives that make our objects special and worth sharing. Take a moment to think about something important in your life. What makes it special? Step into the world of *Clink!* and discover the beauty within the ordinary.

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About the Curator

Katie Duggan

My name is Katie Duggan, the creator of *Clink! Beauty of the Mundane*. The exhibition features my mug collection, all of which are important to me for various reasons. I value the memories and sentimental meaning behind everything that I own and am given, which makes it difficult for me to ever get rid of anything, but simultaneously very easy to see the beauty within everything, big or small.

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The Collection



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Life is Good

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Emerald

Emerald is a plain, dark green mug - the simplest mug in my collection.



Celestial

Celestial is my most intricate mug, with a red sun on one side, a blue moon on the other, and a black handle.



Pumpkin

Pumpkin is an orange, pumpkin-shaped mug with a jack-o-lantern face.



Friends

Friends is a white mug with the Central Perk logo on it, which is from the show *Friends*, with the show's logo on the back.



XOXO

XOXO is a red mug with Snoopy under the words "hugs & kisses" in a pink heart.



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Hand made

Handmade is a green mug covered in hand-painted flowers and leaves with a pink handle and a speckled, multicolored inside. I painted this mug at a pottery painting shop that I went to with my little cousin two years ago. It is my favorite mug that I own because of the memories attached to it, and the fact that I was able to personalize it myself. I use this mug the most out of my whole collection.



Luke's

Luke's is a white mug with the Luke's Diner logo on it, which is from *Gilmore Girls*, my favorite TV show. This mug belongs to a set of four that was gifted to me last Christmas by my boyfriend's mom, and it sits on display on my kitchen counter. It is special to me for that reason and for the fact that it represents my favorite show. The mugs are the perfect small size and I often use them for more than just drinks, including cereal or even ice cream.



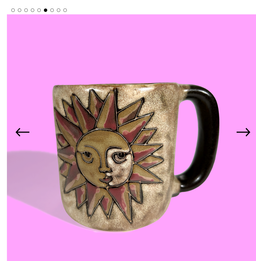
Life is Good

Life is Good is an off-white mug with three flowers above the Life is Good logo, with the brand's motto printed on the inside rim. This is a mug that I purchased for myself at the Life is Good store in Old Orchard Beach after graduating high school. It is special to me because of the nostalgic memories attached to it of the trip I bought it on and the people I was with.



Emerald

Emerald is a plain, dark green mug. It is the simplest mug in my collection without a unique shape or pattern, but I brought this mug to school with me from my house which is what makes it special. I grew up with the same mugs and kitchenware at home my whole life, and instead of drinking out of this mug, I keep my pens and pencils in it on my dorm room desk, so that I can see it every day and be reminded of home.



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Celestial is my most intricate mug, with a red sun on one side, a blue moon on the other, and a black handle. This is a mug that I got at a shop in North Adams, MA, a town in which I toured a college when I was a junior in high school. This mug is quite big so I don't use it as often, but it is still one of my favorites in terms of appearance.



Pumpkin

Pumpkin is an orange, pumpkin-shaped mug with a jack-o-lantern face. This mug was gifted to me by a friend a few years ago. They were cheap enough to buy several, so we both have the same matching mug. Despite its seasonal appearance, I use this mug all year long and it is special because of its origin.



Friends

Friends is a white mug with the Central Perk logo on it, which is from the show *Friends*, with the show's logo on the back. It was gifted to me for my birthday a few years ago, as *Friends* is one of my favorite shows, which is what makes this mug special to me. This mug is quite big, so it is perfect for soup during the colder months.



XOXO

XOXO is a red mug with Snoopy under the words "hugs & kisses" in a pink heart. This mug was gifted to me by my parents for Valentine's Day several years ago, which makes it very special to me. I originally used it to hold a bouquet of flowers after Valentine's Day due because it is tall enough to hold them, but since then it has become a perfect mug for warm drinks.