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A Safe Space for Viewing Art

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Harvard Art Museums galleries
Kara Walker: U.S.A. Idioms
This drawing by the contemporary American artist Kara Walker is currently on view in the Museums' contemporary art gallery.
Kara Walker: U.S.A. Idioms
Being reviewed by the curators in a Museums study room
Framed works on paper
Kara Walker: U.S.A. Idioms

Installation video
Animal-Shaped Vessels from the Ancient World: Feasting with Gods, Heroes, and Kings

This exhibition from last fall includes a variety of drinking vessels from Antiquity, most of which were lent to the Harvard Art Museums from other museums.
Objects displayed on mounts
Idolino from Power and Pathos: Bronze Sculpture of the Hellenistic World

This exhibition of ancient bronze sculptures, on view at the Getty Center in Los Angeles in 2015, included this Idolino (young idol) from the Archaeological Museum of Florence, Italy.
Hellenistic-period figure (ca. 440 BCE)

Renaissance-era pedestal (1530–40 CE)

Idolino on view earlier in Florence

1. Internal armature enters pedestal from underside
2. Armature expands to lock into place
3. Armature bolts to interface in base of figure