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**Carolyn Wood**

Yesterday at 9:57 PM

Question from a history student: If you could choose one story, image, or object that would be in a future museum exhibit on the coronavirus, what would you choose and why?



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**Yvonne Hockman Osmun**

A face mask. Facemask to me has become the symbol of this virus, the lack of face mask the fact that everybody needed one. The doctors and the nurses needed masks that were medically safe. But all over the country everybody needed a mask to go out in public, to go into stores. People were sewing them in their homes



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**Cynthia S. Simon**

A picture of empty roads. Represents the closing down of society as we knew it.



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**Niki Viscomi**

The charmin commercial where they assure us they are working hard to keep up with production during this shortage of toilet paper. It's still mind blowing that toilet paper has been ridiculously hard to find during a respiratory virus outbreak.



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**Donna Cooper Merritt** A fork lift to represent the workers in food distribution, people forget they are essential workers.

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**Carolyn Lindblad** I think no single picture can sum up the impact of Covid-19. You need a picture from each nation affected.

I live in Sweden where we have no lockdown. Life has continued, not as normal, but with few restrictions. Here the images could be the military hospitals set up outside the regular hospitals to treat Covid patients when the ICU was at capacity or maybe the tents outside medical offices where anyone with Covid symptoms have been directed to seek care.

Italy has been terribly impacted and an entire generation decimated by Covid. The human spirit and determination to live, laugh and love still shines in how people sing from their balconies and use poles to toast one and other from windows and balconies while still isolating at home.

The image of a man lying dead in the street in China still haunts me. Boris Johnson the UK PM trying to downplay his own illness while talking to the press days before he was hospitalized with Covid is also a powerful image.

There is no single image that can encompass a pandemic.

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**Jocelyn Can** a montage of all of the dead healthcare workers that no one seems to care about enough.

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**Amanda Ruth** Love this post! Mask probably

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**Maggie Ryan** Empty city square like time square in NYC

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**Raj Patel** 6 feet...

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**Mary Margaret Geuss** Boarded up Windows at a state store ...

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**Heather Schaffer** The families separated by windows yet visiting quarantined loved ones: their hands on each side of a window.

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**Brian Turdo** 🖐️ Maybe you could choose 19 different items that symbolize the timeframe!

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**Brenda Michalska** Brian Turdo That's a great idea.

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**Brian Turdo** 🖐️ **Brenda Michalska** mask, quarantine, empty streets, 6ft distance, nurse, essential workers, stimulus check, China, COVID-19, police, truck drivers, sanitizer, gloves, grocery workers, remote learning, test kits, remote teaching, parks closed, virtual birthdays (parades) here is 19



**Brenda Michalska** **Brian Turdo** I liked the idea of positives with negatives that have been listed in others' posts: add to the masks and essential workers the singing from the windows and the environment's health.



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**Michelle Lippincott LaBreche** Lines of cars for food. A poignant message that even though we supposedly had a good economy, people were still living paycheck to paycheck. The abrupt closing of businesses left so families struggling more than they were before.

Or a scene from a NYC hospitals where patients were lined up on ventilators or refrigerator trucks waited for dead bodies.



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**Jodana Lynn** Zoom funerals



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**Jodana Lynn** ;(

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**Linda Dalton** Crowds in NYC with everyone wearing masks.



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**Albert Huntington** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2cmPhUAXsU0...>



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**Kathleen Frisse Gonczi** Albert Huntington that's just shameful.

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**Janice Herman** The earths healing cycles due to less pollution! And the Atmosphere! 😎

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**Carolyn R Brior** Italians singing from their balconies. It shows community.

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**Patti Myer** A face mask

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**Vicky Sassaman** Yes a face mask

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**Albert Huntington** Patti Myer Have you seen this picture before? No? It is from a flue pandemic in 1957. No one is going to remember the masks. These things happen way too often. It looks like you are too young to know that. This is the first time we are acting this crazy. You will see this a few more times in your life.



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**Patti Myer** Albert Huntington I tend to disagree. I don't think we will ever go back what we thought normal was. I believe the face mask is going to be around much longer than in the past....time will tell. And yes I have seen this picture it's actually from Ireland. And thank you for making me feel young for once 😊

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**Albert Huntington** You are right, the masks are going to be around for a longer time. Most nations use them more often than we do.

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**Dennis Kraus** Patti Myer, in general people will eventually forget and default to their previous lifestyles. Case in point, a wife snapping at her husband after giving birth for the first time "don't even think about it!", only for that to be eventually forgotten in time.

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**Patti Myer** Dennis Kraus One can only hope that happens! 🙄 We'll have a new normal that's for sure, much as like after 911. The paradigm has definitely shifted.

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**Albert Huntington** Patti Myer The new norm, if it is the result of a disaster, is most likely a disappointing one. After 9/11, the new normal is checking your underwear in the airports. After the fall of Rome, the new normal was living like nomads in the city. After Syria became the ISIS domain, the new norm was beheading people in the streets.

Yes, there is a new norm, but it is not a better one.

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**Patti Myer** Albert Huntington Exactly, I'm afraid.... 😬

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**Yvonne Wolski-Worman** The picture of mass burial in the NYC park

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**Thomas Elliott** 24-hour time lapse photography of Times Square.

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**Cassidy Donlin** Empty toilet paper shelves

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**Susan C Mulrooney Eagle** mass graves in New York representing all the lives lost

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**Dennis Kraus** I would wait to decide here. I predict that photos will pop up from garage sales in the spring of 2021 that contain mountains of toilet paper and exercise equipment. Or photos when the vaccine becomes available to the public, we may see photos like that seen in NYC Times Square after we won WWII.

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**Frank S Graziano Jr** The hospital ship heading past the statue of liberty..

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**Alicia Harrison** A statue with a pile of toilet paper

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**Al Kratzer** One of the now deleted social media posts from Li Wenliang, the Chinese doctor who tried to warn the world about it and later died from it.

<https://www.npr.org/.../china-to-investigate-after...>



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**Amanda Getz** A homemade face mask/sewing machine

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**Rachel Noto Irvin** a nurse all geared up with mask, sheild, gowns, gloves, looking TIRED

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**Carrie Stewart Dubiel** My daughter-in-law, my superhero



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