Optional Essay Question:

What does “zymoglyphic” mean (to you)?

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Portland, OR 97215

the Zymoglyphic Museum:

What Does It All MEAN?

Instructions:

1. Read brochure
2. Fill it out (or in) (optional)
3. If you complete the form, you can:
- return it to the museum attendant
- deposit it in museum mailbox later
- tape it shut, add a stamp, and mail it to the museum (see back side)
- keep for your records, or as a souvenir

I found out about this

☐ on Atlas Obscura
☐ on Facebook
☐ on Google
☐ by word of mouth
☐ somewhere on the Internet
☐ somehow

I came here because

☐ I was just walking by and saw the sign
☐ I was dragged here under false pretenses by a so-called friend
☐ I've been meaning to come here for ages and things finally aligned
☐ I needed to check it off my "10 quirky things to do in Portland" list
☐ I like dead things

Categorize this as

☐ a complexly layered, fully integrated work of art
☐ an elderly eccentric with a weird hobby and a spare garage

Expectation vs reality

☐ I researched this before coming here
☐ I had no idea what I would find here
☐ I still have no idea what I saw
☐ I thought this would be more of a real collection than made-up stuff
☐ This is way better than I thought it would be

Rating It

High quality 1 2 3 4 5 Crap
☐ Does not apply

Original 1 2 3 4 5 Derivative

Clever 1 2 3 4 5 Deep

I was totally absorbed
1 2 3 4 5
I couldn't wait to leave

Uses too many big words
1 2 3 4 5
Unnecessarily sesquipedalian

This experience

☐ inspired me
☐ gave me something to do for a few hours
☐ gave the kid(s) something to do for a few hours
☐ made me look at the world differently

Overall, this is

☐ weird, but in a good way
☐ just weird
☐ quirky
☐ mainly for shock value
☐ hilarious
☐ pretentious
☐ nauseating
☐ silly
☐ gross
☐ surprisingly scholarly
☐ inappropriate cultural appropriation
☐ transgressive
☐ naive

In the future, I will

☐ try to forget this ever happened
☐ send the curator some weird stuff I don't know what else to do with
☐ tell everyone I know about it
☐ drag someone else here under false pretenses
☐ stock my curiosity cabinet
☐ start making my own relics and dioramas
☐ start my own museum
☐ come back again and see what I missed the first time around
☐ get back to making some of that art I was interested in so long ago