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Light emitted from a projector bulb is a concentrated source of electromagnetic radiation. This light is directed through a series of lenses and mirrors that focuses it into a defined beam that carries both visual information and energy. When this beam hits the smooth surface of a silver screen, the light bounces off at predictable angles, preserving the sharpness and clarity of the original image.

While searching for Hollywood memorabilia to make art out of I came across *American Auctions*, an online seller of objects claimed to have once been possessed by a star. A pair of Marilyn Monroe's wine glasses (\$9,949), Michael Jackson's cutlery (\$15,400), a guitar-shaped wall decoration owned by James Brown (\$2,200), a single button from one of Sigmund Freud's suits (\$3,850). All of the items are sold As Is Where Is.

Alongside them are images from silent-era films.