



SIXTY-THIRD ASHEVILLE ANTIQUES FAIR

The Asheville Civic Center
87 Haywood Street (Downtown)
Asheville, North Carolina
www.ashevilleantiquesfair.com

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The sixty-third Asheville Antiques Fair, one of the oldest Antiques Fairs in the Southeast, has been held every year with the exception of 1947, when it was cancelled due to a polio epidemic in Asheville. This year the fair will be held from July 31 - August 2, 2009 at the Civic Center in Asheville, North Carolina. The event's proceeds benefit area historic and cultural landmarks. Monies go toward restoration, conservation and preservation of projects supporting the architectural gems of Asheville. The proceeds from the very first Antiques Fair in 1945 to present day, represents over \$170,000 donated to numerous community charities as well as more than \$325,000 awarded to local restoration, preservation projects.

The Asheville Antiques Fair is a non-profit organization and is hosted under the auspices of The Vetust Study Club of Asheville, North Carolina, Inc. The name Vetust comes from the Latin root word meaning "of the ancient". The object of the club is the study of antiques and subjects on historical interest and to aid the community's charitable, civic and cultural advancements. The Vetust Study Club is a volunteer organization of 24 women dedicating their time toward the support of the Asheville Antiques Fair. The Vetust Study Club meets monthly to present individual research papers dealing with antiques.

The Fair will feature nearly 55 Exhibitors from many States, offering a wide range of period furnishings and decorative arts, vintage jewelry, porcelains, ceramics, silver, architectural elements, oriental rugs, rare books, heirloom linens and lace and garden accouterments. All items will be available for purchase. The Fair itself will be accompanied by a variety of special events designed to appeal to both new and seasoned collectors of antiquities including; Expert Lectures, an Heirloom Road Show offering verbal evaluations by three certified appraisers and a gourmet Summer Garden Café catered by the *Every Day Gourmet*.

SPECIAL EVENTS

EXPERT LECTURES

Three *Expert Lectures* will be offered during Friday and Saturday during the course of the day. For lecture information, dates and times please visit www.ashevilleantiquesfair.com/events .

HEIRLOOM ROAD SHOW - EVALUATIONS OF ANTIQUES

Saturday, August 1, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 pm, Asheville Civic Center.
This is the Asheville Antiques Fair's answer to the *Antiques Road Show!*

Three certified appraisers will be on hand to offer verbal appraisals and insights as to the history and background of any treasures visitors would like to bring in. The professionals will offer their particular expertise in antiques such as silver, antique maps and prints, nineteenth and twentieth century American and European fine art, Chinese and Japanese ceramics, textiles, paintings, jades, and sculptures, antiquarian books, American decorative arts, ceramics, portrait miniatures, folk art, English and European porcelain and pottery, and antique jewelry. If items are large or unwieldy, photos may be brought instead. No reservations required.

The charge for evaluations will be \$16 for one item, \$18.00 for two items and \$20.00 for three items. In addition, you must purchase a general admission Fair ticket.

For additional information on the appraisers and what can be acceptable for evaluation please visit our web site and click on www.ashevilleantiquesfair.com/events .

THE EXHIBITORS

Approximately fifty-five premiere dealers from across the United States, specializing in a wide range of antique objects, will be exhibiting at the Show. A complete listing can be found at www.ashevilleantiquesfair.com/exhibitors .

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THE SPONSORS

Many generous individuals and organizations, throughout the years, have stepped forward to become major sponsors of the annual Asheville Antiques Fair. Individual and organization sponsorship opportunities are still available. A complete list of sponsors along with donation opportunities may be found www.ashevilleantiquesfair.com/sponsors .

CATALOG ADVERTISING

Advertising space is available for the annual 63rd Asheville Antiques Fair Catalog. All advertising will be presented in full color. Advertising submittal applications are due by deadline of June 15, 2009. Limited space is still available. For advertising information and pricing please visit www.ashevilleantiquesfair.com/sponsors .

The Summer Garden Café

CATERED BY THE EVERYDAY GOURMET

LUNCHEON

Saturday 11:30 until 3:00 – Sunday 12:00 until 3:00

\$12.50 per plate

Includes choice of beverage and tax

CASH OR CHECKS ONLY

AFTERNOON TREATS

Saturday 11:30 until 3:00 – Sunday 12:00 until 3:00

\$5.00 each – includes tax

Several offerings of desert and a beverage

For Menu Offerings please visit

www.ashevilleantiquesfair.com/information

GENERAL INFORMATION

Show Hours:

Friday, July 31

10:00am - 6:00pm

Saturday, August 1

10:00am - 6:00pm

Sunday, August 2

12:00 noon - 5:00pm

Ticket Sales

The cost is \$10.00 per person for a *Run-of-the-Show* ticket, which is good for all three days. The ticket price includes a show catalogue, entrance to all three Expert Lectures and the Heirloom Road Show.

No advance ticket sales. Tickets can be purchased at gate during Show Hours. Ticket discounts are available through local advertising and by visiting www.ashevilleantiquesfair.com/information .

Children 12 years of age and under are admitted free when accompanied by an adult.

Location

The Antiques Show is held at the Asheville Civic Center in downtown Asheville.

Asheville Civic Center
87 Haywood Street
Asheville, NC 28801

828-259-5736

Parking is available next to the Civic Center in the Civic Center Parking Garage.

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