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3rd Annual Montana Antiques Appraisal Fair Coming October 12th & 13th to Butte

It might be a favorite antique or heirloom that you display prominently every day of the year, or one that you dig out of the closet that you haven’t thought about in years. Either way, be sure to bring it to the 3rd Annual Montana Antiques Appraisal Fair at the Butte Civic Center this October 12th and 13th and see what the experts have to say about what it’s worth.

Appraisers Timothy Gordon and Grant Zahajko, known for their appraisals on television, will be on hand to assess and give verbal valuations of items such as fine art, historic objects and other rarities.

This year, The Friends of the Butte Archives is pleased to partner with The Montana History Foundation to bring the 3rd Annual Montana Antiques Appraisal Fair to Butte and Southwest Montana. This event is the ideal place for attendees to bring their special heirloom for appraisal, while sharing their unique story with appraisers and fellow attendees.

Appraisal tickets are $20 per item, plus any applicable fees. There is a limit of three ticketed appraisal items per person. Tickets are purchased based on the hour an individual would like to have their item or items appraised, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 12th and between 9:00 a.m. and noon on Sunday, October 13th. No firearms or minerals, please.

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Spectator tickets are $10 per person. Children 12 and under are free. All tickets are available for purchase through the Butte Civic Center website. Typical items brought in for appraisal include paintings, sculptures, textiles, photographs, Western and Native Americana, dolls and sports memorabilia.

The event will include seating for spectators, as well as entertainment over the lunch hour. Mary Jane Bradbury will perform historical vignettes based on the life of Nancy Russell, wife of artist Charles M. Russell. Food and drink will be available for purchase through the Butte Civic Center concessions.

The 3rd Annual Montana Antiques Appraisal Fair is made possible in part through a grant from the Superfund Advisory and Redevelopment Trust Authority (SARTA.). Additional sponsorship has been provided by NorthWestern Energy, Headframe Spirits and Granite Mountain Bank.

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