



# BRICK STORE MUSEUM

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### **TRINKET OR TREASURE? FIND OUT AT ANTIQUES APPRAISAL DAY**

KENNEBUNK – For anyone who has ever been curious about the worth of a family heirloom, a cherished antique, or a childhood collection, then The Brick Store Museum's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Antiques Appraisal Day is the place to come. The event will be held in the Kennebunk Town Hall Auditorium at 1 Summer Street on Saturday, November 12, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

An assembled team of area auctioneers, antiques dealers and experts is donating its services to make verbal appraisals on just about anything that the general public can hand carry into Town Hall. Auctioneer Bruce Collins of Bucksport specializes in fine arts, paintings and prints. Martha Cox, a painting conservator from Shapleigh, will provide advice and estimates on cleaning and restoring paintings. Cindy Hamilton, an antiques dealer in Kennebunk, will be on hand to assess antiques and items of Americana. Douglas Harding of Wells will appraise rare books, maps and documents. Lee Horowitz is traveling from Massachusetts and will be assigned a private space for appraising jewelry and collections of coins, currency and stamps. Auctioneer Hap Moore of York possesses wide-ranging expertise on a variety of antiques, and John Rinaldi of Kennebunkport will be available to appraise maritime antiques.

Appraisal costs are \$10 per item, or three items for \$25. Special appointments for appraising collections of coins, currency and stamps can be made in advance or upon arrival and are available at the cost of \$15 per 15 minutes. Museum volunteers will provide coffee, snacks and lunch specials at Town Hall. All proceeds from the day benefit The Brick Store Museum.

Antiques Appraisal Day is among the many activities being offered as part of the broader 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Antiques Affair Weekend, collaboratively produced and offered by the Museum, fifteen inns and fourteen antiques shops throughout Kennebunk, Kennebunkport, Arundel and Wells. For more information, see <http://www.brickstoremuseum.org/antiquesaffair.shtml>.

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*The Brick Store Museum is located at 117 Main Street in Kennebunk's historic district. The museum is dedicated to preserving and exhibiting the region's rich cultural heritage. Its galleries and research archives are open to the public year-round: Tuesdays – Fridays, 10 – 4:30 and Saturdays, 10 – 1. Admission is by donation, suggested \$3. Visit [www.brickstoremuseum.org](http://www.brickstoremuseum.org) or call 207.985.4802 for further information.*

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