

## PRESS RELEASE

Peter S. Blundell, Independent Antiques Appraiser

Appraiser sheds light on your dark secrets!!

Time is ticking down to an exciting event at the Edmonton Wild Rose Antiques Collectors Show

April 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>, Friday 9am-6pm and Saturday, 9am-5pm.

Edmonton Wild Rose Antique Collectors Show

At Northlands Expo Centre (Agricom), Edmonton, Alberta

Have you been picking up more exciting items at the antique shows, shops, and garage sales or have inherited something really interesting and you are not quite sure what it is?? That is what Peter will be here to do. He has been invited back to Edmonton with his almost magical verbal Opinion-of-Value session to help you with these 'oddities', and to give you a value of what it might be worth if found for sale, or perhaps even for a donation to your favourite museum for a tax credit. All types of possibilities.

Blundell is coming a long way from Vernon, B.C. and is an Accredited Art and Antiques Independent Appraiser with the Canadian Professional Appraisers.

Peter began his career in 1969 in the flea markets of Ontario, graduated to major shows in the East, and then had his own antique shop in Schomberg, Ontario for many years. Blundell has been appraising in the West since 1990 and has appeared on television and radio numerous times.

On the day of the show, arrive early, meet Marian, Peter's wife, register and get yourself a number, then go treasure hunting throughout the large show. She will be able to give you an approximate time to return, or stay and watch and learn. Blundell has an overhead mirror to see the items he is looking at, and a microphone, so you will not miss any of the interesting commentary. This is such a learning experience for your knowledge of fine antiques and collectibles. He is always giving out learning tips for you – one tip may be worth thousands of dollars!

Peter has many specialties including furniture (has written 3 books and 1 ebook) art, silver, china, porcelains, glass, bronzes, oil lamps, pocket watches, and collectibles. If you are wishing to know more about one of your pieces of furniture, and it is just too big to carry, use your digital camera, take photos with good lighting (no flash), and if there is a drawer or loose piece, bring that, then Peter can assess the wood and where the heck this item came from. He brings along his extensive traveling library of books for reference.

The fee per item is \$12.00 plus GST. Bring as many items as you wish. However, Peter does NOT look at jewellery, coins, stamps, guns, wrist watches (but pocket watches are fine). Antiquities over 400 years old are generally not assessed at this forum.

Peter will be taking extra time in Edmonton. If you wish a formal house call or any other questions, call him in advance at 250-542-4540, or of course, visit his web page at [www.blundellartandantiques.com](http://www.blundellartandantiques.com).

Remember "Antiquing" is a very 'green' experience. No wastage of ingredients has occurred in your today's purchases. That was all done way back in time. Peter's motto – "Always consider old before new."