



*So Much to See... So Much to Buy... So Much to Do...  
SO MUCH FUN! IT'S A MUST!*

## *2008 Randolph Street Market Festival*

The posh Market Festival with goods for living, giving, wearing, decorating & entertaining.

- ❖ Antique collectors rank among the nation's elite who also seek out quality merchandise for their luxury houses. They represent a solid prospect base for high ticket furnishings, quality jewelry and accessories, outdoor furnishings and lawn and garden merchandise.
- ❖ The purchase of antiques is growing. In 2006, Christie's International grossed 4.67 billion in sales which represents a 36% increase over 2005.
- ❖ Collecting antiques began in antiquity when religious objects were the first known collectibles.
- ❖ Collecting antiques flourished in the 18th Century when the English and European private collection of rarities became popular.
- ❖ US collectors seriously active since the 18th Century first concentrated on old books, manuscripts and possessions of famous people.
- ❖ In 1850, an association was founded to restore and preserve Mount Vernon the first of the country's many house museums.
- ❖ Museums worldwide make up most of the largest collections of antiquities today, but private collectors continue to amass their collections as well.

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❖ In 1876, at the opening of the Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia, reconstructed colonial rooms were exhibited sparking collectors to seek pewter ware and colonial furniture.

❖ During the 20th century, the sorts of objects collected has increased dramatically to include items such as quilts, bedspreads, jewelry, glass, coins, postage stamps, china, porcelain, silver, needlework, bottles, stoneware, pill boxes, scrimshaw, snuffboxes, fans, watches, clocks, periodicals, badges, postcards, photographs, toys, posters, military and political souvenirs, transportation memorabilia, buttons, folk art, movies, Hollywood memorabilia, music world memorabilia, cars and many others.

❖ In 1952, the Florence agreement sponsored by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization was drawn up to "facilitate the free flow of educational, scientific and cultural materials."

❖ In 1966, the United States tariff regulations were altered to permit duty free importation of antiques, defined as objects being more than 100 years old at the time of entry.

❖ Collecting antiques, for centuries, has been the passion of the rich and famous, many of whom have traveled the world seeking to possess the prizes of antiquity

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