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Certified Appraiser To Evaluate Antiques at "Come Home to History" Fair October 9

Does your garage or attic contain abandoned treasures? Think the lamp your great aunt left you might be a Tiffany? Curious about the obscure origins of an old object?

Don't wait for *Antiques Roadshow* to come to town. Instead, dust your treasures off and bring them to "Come Home to History: Celebrating 350 Years of Hudson County Heritage," a history fair on Saturday, October 9, at the Hudson County Community College Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street, Jersey City, from 10 am until 6 pm. Appraisals of objects from bygone days are a feature of the program. For the bargain fee of \$3 per item (\$5 for two), you may discover you are holding a museum-quality piece.

Dr. Rachael Goldman, a personal property certified appraiser, will take a look at your prized possession and give you an idea of what it's worth. Dr. Goldman has experience in the fields of Antiquities, Judaica, Ethnographic Art, Hungarian Art and Collectibles, and even office furniture. She has appraised Modern, Impressionist, and Contemporary Art as well as World War II memorabilia. Dr. Goldman holds degrees from Rutgers University, Sotheby's Art Institute, and City University of New York, and she teaches regularly at Rutgers, New York University, City University of New York, and the Cooper Hewitt Design Graduate Program.

The appraisals are just one offering in a program of exhibits, speakers, films, and presentations on the 350th anniversary of the founding of the Dutch settlement of Bergen, in what is now Jersey City, as well as other key moments in Hudson County history. See www.hudsoncountynjgenealogy.org/historyfair2010 for a complete schedule and updates.

"Come Home to History" is sponsored by Hudson County Executive Thomas A. DeGise; Hudson County Board of Chosen Freeholders; Hudson County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs and Tourism; City of Jersey City, Jerramiah T. Healy, Mayor; Jersey City Municipal Council; Jersey City Division of Cultural Affairs; Hudson County Community College; Hudson County History Advocates; and the Jersey City Historical Project.

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