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BALTIMORE

ART, ANTIQUE & JEWELRY SHOW



Rare Piece of History: The 1841 Abraham Lincoln Wedding Gift That Mary Todd Never Saw

Exhibitor **Gotta Have It! Collectibles Inc.** ® (www.gottahaveit.com) of New York City will be showcasing a rare and fascinating historic treasure at the Baltimore Art, Antique & Jewelry Show. Attendees will get the chance to admire the wedding gift Abraham Lincoln bought for Mary Todd in 1841 that she never received. Although the timepiece holds an incredible provenance, the significance of the gift lies within its little known backstory.

Prior to the couples wedding date, Lincoln purchased an 18-karat gold, blue-enamel, diamond studded pocket watch and engraved the inside back cover "To Miss Mary Todd from A.L. 1841." On the day of the nuptials, Lincoln and Mary Todd reportedly argued and called off the wedding and Lincoln never gave Mary Todd the engraved gift of endearment. Instead, sometime later while Abraham Lincoln was visiting his close friends William Butler and Mary Curtis, Lincoln spontaneously decided to give Mary Curtis the gift.

After some time, Miss. Curtis noticed the engraved message and realized the pocket watch was never intended for her. Mary Curtis was so distraught, she decided to store it in a trunk for more than 30 years, all the while Abraham Lincoln and Mary Todd were eventually married on November 4, 1842.

Gotta Have It!® will be showcasing this intriguing piece of history at the Baltimore Art, Antique & Jewelry Show in booth #1418. The collection includes the pocket watch, the original wooden box and the handwritten letter Mary Curtis wrote her best friend Elizabeth DeWitt when she gifted the watch to her prior to passing away. Also, **Gotta Have It!**® has full ownership documentation and many articles written on the provenance of this piece. This historical item will be available to purchase for \$175,000 at the Baltimore Show. Don't miss out on the opportunity to own a piece of history!

If you're interested in more details or information about the Baltimore Art, Antique & Jewelry Show, please email Kelsi Hartmann at Kelsi@palmbeachshow.com.

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The Baltimore Art, Antique & Jewelry Show will take place August 25-28, 2016 at the Baltimore Convention Center, One West Pratt Street, Baltimore, MD 21201. For additional information, about the Baltimore Art, Antique & Jewelry Show, and to purchase tickets online, please visit www.baltimoresummershow.com.

2016 Baltimore Art, Antique & Jewelry Show

August 25-28, 2016

Thursday, August 25	12 pm – 8 pm
Friday, August 26	11 am – 7 pm
Saturday, August 27	11 am – 7 pm
Sunday, August 28	11 am – 6 pm

Tickets: **\$20 (each ticket is good for all 4 show days)**

Baltimore Convention Center
One West Pratt Street
Baltimore, MD 21201
(Two main entrances: West Pratt Street Lobby & Charles Street Lobby)

For More Information:
www.BaltimoreSummerShow.com
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The Baltimore Art, Antique & Jewelry Show is a Palm Beach Show Group Event.

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About the Palm Beach Show Group

Recognized as the nation's leading producer of premier jewelry, art and antique shows, the Palm Beach Show Group owns and operates ten shows nationally including:

Baltimore Art, Antique & Jewelry Show (August 25-28, 2016)

Baltimore Fine Craft Show (August 25-28, 2016)

New York City Jewelry & Watch Show (October 28-31, 2016)

New York Art, Antique & Jewelry Show (November 9-13, 2016)

Palm Beach Jewelry – Antiques – Design (December 1-5, 2016)

LA Art Show (January 11-15, 2017)

Miami Beach Jewelry & Antiques Show (February 2-5, 2017)

Palm Beach Jewelry, Art & Antique Show (February 15-21, 2017)

Palm Beach Fine Craft Show (February 16-19, 2017)

Naples Art, Antique & Jewelry Show (February 24-28, 2017)

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