Art Appraisers Reference List

We appreciate how challenging it can be researching an heirloom, flea market find or estate sale discovery, but your Library’s Special Collections staff is not authorized to assess the value of your collectibles nor act as appraisers. We can, however, provide you with internet sites, resources in the Library collection and a broad list of professional art appraisers in Northeast Kansas as well as links to some of the large auction houses.

What the letters mean:
(AAA) Appraisers Association of America
(ASA) American Society of Appraisers
(ISA) International Society of Appraisers

Tips for maintaining your art collection and preparing for an appraisal

Caring for your collection extends beyond maintaining the physical condition of the objects. It is important to keep good object records and a collection history as information will be invaluable for insurance reasons in case of theft or disaster.

Be sure to create a folder for each object in your collection. In your file include the following items:

- Color photographs of the object, including full-view and details—front, back, framed, unframed—tip: document multiple views of three-dimensional works.
- Purchase date, price and vendor data
- Artist / maker info including life dates title of work
- Detailed description of object’s subject matter or type of work
- Date of work
- Dimensions: for three-dimensional work, overall object, and base measurements (LxWxH). For two-dimensional work, measure it framed and unframed (HxW)
- Media and support data (articles, reference, etc.)
- Create a detailed description of object: include location of scratches, losses, dents, abrasions, and so on.
- Copies of all conservation and appraisal reports
- Text of inscriptions, markings, and labels
- Ownership history (provenance)
- If your work is cited in any exhibition and/or auction catalogues or catalogues raisonné, include bibliographic information
- Exhibition and loan history

SOURCE: Smithsonian American Art Museum at americanart.si.edu

Art Dealers Association of America
575 Madison Avenue, New York NY 10022
(212) 940-8590

Christie’s Appraisals
502 Park Avenue at 59th Street, New York NY 10022
(212) 546-1143

Sotheby’s Appraisals
1334 York Avenue, New York NY 10022
(212) 606-7045

OUT OF STATE
Kiechel, Vivian | Vivian Kiechel Fine Art
2341 Bretigne Drive, Lincoln NE 68512
(402) 423-0340
Fax: (402) 423-4270

Swain, Bob | Beauchamp Gallery
3113 SW Huntoon, Topeka KS 66604
(785) 233-0300
*Not certified, but can evaluate if familiar with artist and artists they represent

Zimmer, Lloyd | Lloyd Zimmer Books & Maps
117 SW 6th Avenue, Topeka KS 66603
(785) 354-8899
e-mail: lloyd@ksbiblio.com
Areas of expertise: printed and manuscript material: books, atlases, maps, photographs, diaries and letters related to Kansas, western Americana, cartography, psychology, psychoanalysis, rare & out-of-print books of all genres.
LAWRENCE, LECOMPTON & BALDWIN

Baranski, Dennis | DA Baranski & Co Art & Antiques
214 N 2100 Road, Lecompton KS 66050
(785) 887-6010 | Fax: (785) 887-6263
*Federal Court Qualified Art Expert*

Graham, Pat (AAA)
1641 Rhode Island, Lawrence KS 66044
(785) 841-1477
*Area of expertise: Asian art*

Solomons, David (ISA) | Solomons Antique Gallery
PO Box 92, Baldwin City KS 66006
(785) 594-6468
*Areas of expertise: antiques, collectibles, art, porcelain, glass, dinnerware*

WICHITA & EL DORADO

Morris, Denice (ASA)
915 Skyview Drive, El Dorado KS 67042
(316) 321-9156

Dunlap, Robert L. (ISA) | Equity Standard
1855 S Rock Road Suite 105, Wichita KS 67207
(316) 689-8773
*Areas of expertise: coins, currency, gold, bullion, antiques and residential contents*

Harris, John (ASA) | Marketing & Consultant Services, Inc.
2014 W 13th Street, Wichita KS 67203
(316) 681-1527
*Area of expertise: machinery and equipment*

McComish, Philip | Watermark West
149 N Broadway, Wichita KS 67202
(316) 263-3007
*Area of expertise: books, western Americana, ephemera and maps*

Raisdana, Bahman | Apadana Oriental Rug Gallery, Inc.
1312 E Douglas, Wichita KS 67214
(316) 267-6767
*Areas of expertise: rugs, carpets, tapestries*

KANSAS CITY & SURROUNDING AREA

Dunbar, Dr. Burton (AAA)
Box 30147, Kansas City MO 64112
(913) 707-6300 | (800) 395-9863 (out-of-state)
Fax: (913) 648-5740

Glenn Books
Frederic Gilhousen, Christopher Cassell & Larisa Cassell
360 Kawn Lane East, Shawnee Mission, KS 66217
(913) 268-0767
*Areas of expertise: books, antiquarian, first editions, illustrated & children's books, private press, American & English literature, natural history, book arts, bindings*

Kearns, Susan H (ISA) | SH Kearns Co. Ltd.
6800 College Blvd Suite 260, Overland Park KS 66211
(913) 339-9955
*Areas of expertise: gems, jewelry*

Maloney, Linda | Antiques and Appraisals
4501 W 94th Street, Prairie Village KS 66207
(913) 648-1080
e-mail: lmaloneyappraisals@swbell.net
*Areas of expertise: antiques, furniture, personal property*

Mease, Martin
13010 Shawnee Mission Pkwy
Shawnee Mission KS 66216
(913) 248-0248
*Areas of expertise: gems, jewelry*

Moss, Ruth B (AAA) | Henry Ruth Fine Arts
31 Compton Court, Shawnee Mission KS 66208
(913) 341-1677
*Areas of expertise: drawings, watercolors, paintings*

O’Brien, Jean (ASA) | JA O’Brien Associates
4817 W 69th Street, Prairie Village KS 66208
(913) 722-2460 | (913) 722-2642
e-mail: jean@jaobrienassociates.com

Olsen, Jack | American Legacy Gallery
5911 Main, Kansas City MO 64113
(816) 444-7944
*Not certified, but can evaluate if familiar with artist, especially Kansas artists*

James C. Sullivan, ASA
31696 Harmony Road, Paola KS 66071
(913) 294-2878
*Areas of expertise: machinery and equipment*

Pre-appraisal tips on back ▶

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