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## VINTAGE TREASURE-HUNTING HEAVEN!

## THE JUNK BONANZA RETURNS TO CANTERBURY PARK SEPTEMBER 25-27, 2014

SHAKOPEE, MN -- The Junk Bonanza returns to Canterbury Park Sept. 25-27 for its ninth year, reuniting shoppers and purveyors of vintage finds, beautiful antiques and artisan-repurposed goods.

More than 160 juried vendors showcase artful vignettes of castoff and repurposed treasures, each 40 years or older or made from components of that age. (View the complete list of the inventive vendors here: junkbonanza.com/schedule/minneapolis/vendor-listfloor-plan). The Bonanza also includes a select group of artisanal handmade goods. Enjoy a variety of food, one of Canterbury's famous Bloody Mary's and a trip through our pumpkin-filled farm stand!

Among special events at this show:

\* Master Appraiser Tim Luke, host of the new "Cash in the Attic USA" online valuation site, will conduct free sessions twice daily with tips and insider insights. He'll also take questions after his presentations on these topics: current hot collectibles; how to shop estate sales, flea markets and auctions; and how to determine what creates a future collectible.

\* Six free, hands-on workshops by Amanda Ficek, a Minnesota Annie Sloan Unfolded stockist. She will demonstrate a variety of finishing techniques using Chalk Paint® and other products twice daily.

\* **The Art of Junk contest gallery** featuring the work of 10 vendor and community finalists; three winners will be awarded \$1,000 in cash prizes for the best upcycled furniture and home and garden decor using vintage elements. Unless noted, pieces displayed are for sale.

\* **Multiple "Lucky Friday" giveaways each hour all day Friday.** Among them: \$25 coupons from more than 60 vendors to be redeemed for merchandise during the Bonanza, and goods and services donated from partners, sponsors and other supporting businesses.

\* Nonprofit ReUSEMN.org and vintage store Junket: Tossed and Found will will help attendees craft free, take-home journals using castoff materials. Staffers will answer questions and offer information on reuse, rental and repair in Minnesota.

\* Flea Market Style magazine signings at 1 p.m. daily by Ki Nassauer, Bonanza founder and the editor in chief of FMS and its sister publication, FMS Decorating.

\* The on-site **Ki Nassauer Shop (**kinassauer.com/collections/ frontpage) curates junker-inspired clothing, home goods and jewelry in exclusive Ki Nassauer designs.

\* Pick up a card for **FleaQuest** (fleaquest.com) **to learn** about Nassauer's nationwide online guide for the best vintage shopping.

The Bonanza is an indoor event; the show will go on despite rain or snow! Mark your calendars for the Bonanza's Spring show, April 16-18, 2015.

## DETAILS

Admission: \$9 per day. Available at the door; cash and checks only. ATMs available on site. \$25 Early Bird ticket good for entry at 8 a.m. Thursday — two hours before shopping opens to general public and for regular admission Friday and Saturday. Purchase at the door with cash or check or online at junk junkbonanza.com/collections/junkbonanza/products/junk-bonanza-early-bird-ticket; orders dated Sept. 16 or later may be picked up at the Will Call window the day of the event.

**Time:** Thursday, Sept. 25, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Friday, Sept. 26 and Saturday, Sept. 27, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Parking:** Free and plentiful on adjacent lots.

**Double-wide strollers prohibited;** attendees are strongly encouraged to use baby packs because of congestion during peak hours.

FOR HIGH-RESOLUTION IMAGES OR MORE INFORMATION Contact: Kim Yeager, <u>kim@kinassauer.com</u> or see these specific links:

Art of Junk contest details and entry form, junkbonanza.com/art-of-junk-contest

Photos from past events, junkbonanza.com/gallery/photos

Video, junkbonanza.com/gallery/video

Blog featuring vendor profiles and related posts, junkbonanzablog.com

Ki Nassauer bio and photo, junkbonanza.com/press

**Directions and mapping links,** junkbonanza.com/schedule/ minneapolis/directions

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