

**THE ANTIQUE  
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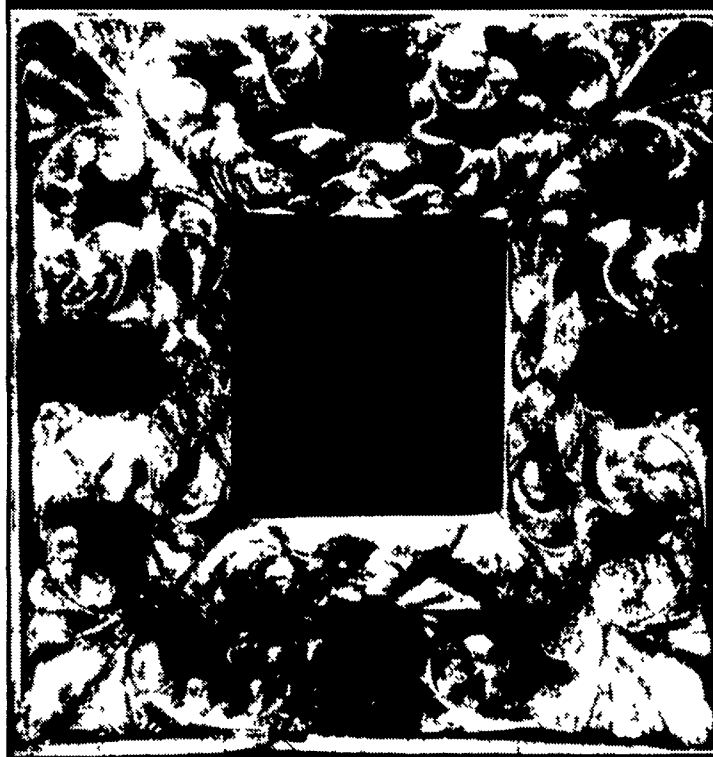
**Antique Frames Catch  
Collectors' Eyes**

It's taken a long time for collectors to discover that picture frames can often be more valuable than their pictures. And, just like the art that they framed, many are signed.

When "Antique American Frames, Identification and Price Guide" by Eli Wilner and Mervyn Kaufman was published in 1995, the great hunt was on. Quite a chance from previous years when even the fanciest picture frames could be found in basements and even next to the trash can. In fact, so little attention was paid to them that at estate sales it was common for buyers, wanting a cheaper price to say, "you keep the frame." Now there are dealers who specialize only in frames.

The earliest picture frames date to the Italian Renaissance. Before then art was painted directly onto wooden surfaces or walls. By the Middle Ages frames were part of religious art and were applied to altar pieces. The frame as we know it, came into use during the 13th century. At that time the artists often made their own frames. By the

14th century frames were made separately from art. While Italian designers developed the frame into a work of art in itself, by the



**18th century Spanish frame. Photo credit: Gold Leaf Studios, Washington D.C.**

17th century Spanish and French frame-makers entered the growing field. For a hefty price, these still come to market. At this time they were of carved wood.

By the late 18th century, molded plaster formed the ornamentation.

In 18th century England, cabinetmaker Thomas Chippendale changed the look of frames. Gone were the heavily ornamented French and Italian styles, replaced with fine carving and gilding. When examples come to

auction prices can be in the thousands of dollars.

Frames usually followed the furniture styles of the era when it came to decoration. For instance in early 19th century America the craftsmen were for the most part still English trained. Their frames copied English patterns. However, it is the work of native American craftsmen in the Federal Period (1783-1825) that serious collectors keep an eye out for. Those with handcarved eagles and other patriotic motifs get top dollar.

In the 1820s the French Empire frame was designed to complement the reigning furniture fashion of the era. It used "compo," a mixture of resins and chalks, pressed into molds and gilded. This was a lot cheaper than handcarving and took less time.

**CLUES:** Many collectors select by the period, such as Art Nouveau, Arts and Crafts and Modern. Others find small or miniature frames suitable for wall groupings. Another possibility are those signed. From the 19th to early 20th century many American artists designed their own frames and signed them. Among them was architect Standford White, who also made frames for artist friends. Another frame designer who signed his work was artist James McNeill Whistler.

One clue to the age of a gilded frame is patination. Dirt will have gotten into the cracks, highlighting the carving. Another clue would be when gold leaf has been used, there should be age lines and cracks that form over the years. Then, there are the differ-

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**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
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**And Perry County Liquor License**  
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Mahogany server; Early ladder-back metal frame school chairs; Early military 36" wooden ammo boxes; 1920's Keystone Inn framed picture; 1940's double-drawer Keystone cash register; Wooden wall stag bars; 1930's decorated porcelain-top table w/drawer; Wooden louvered shutters, orig from Keystone Inn; 8' folding table; 6 hanging dining lamps; 40" 3-bell-style pool table light; Lighted neon signs including Rolling Rock, Budweiser, Miller Light, Jim Beam halogram; Window & wall metal and glass signs including Jim Beam, Yuengling, Sam Adams, Labatz Blue, Beck's, etc; Labatz Blue mirror sign; Stand-up cardboard poster of Dale Earnhardt; Banners; Paper signs; Brass frog bell; Frog horn; Other frog collectibles; Mahogany magazine rack; Old wooden folding chair; Oriental rugs & runners; Decorated room rugs; 4 brass curtain rods; New T-shirts; and more.

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