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NOTE: Interviews with series Executive Producer Patrick Keegan are available. In addition, June episode photos and the series logo are available to download from MPT's Dropbox [HERE](#).

***Chesapeake Collectibles* returns in June with part one of its 13th season**
One of MPT's flagship series is set to deliver a season of surprises from collectors
across the Chesapeake region

OWINGS MILLS, MD –Maryland Public Television's popular original series [Chesapeake Collectibles](#) returns for its 13th season with a treasure trove of captivating finds beginning on Monday, June 1. A preview of the new season is available to view at [this link](#).

Chesapeake Collectibles' new episodes will be broadcast on MPT and available on the [MPT livestream](#) on Mondays at 7:30 p.m., immediately preceding the acclaimed PBS series *Antiques Roadshow*.



Part one of the new season will feature seven episodes through mid-July. Part two of *Chesapeake Collectibles'* 13th season, comprised of six new episodes, will premiere in January 2027 in conjunction with *Antiques Roadshow's* season premiere.

Encore broadcasts of episodes air on Wednesdays at 8 p.m. on MPT2 and the [MPT2 livestream](#). Viewers can also find full episodes of the series anytime on [MPT's online video player](#) and the free [PBS app](#).

Behind every flea market find and beloved family heirloom is a tale waiting to be told. From contemporary collectibles to long-lost masterpieces, *Chesapeake Collectibles* shines a light on the histories hidden within the objects that fill homes across the Mid-Atlantic region.

The series' team of expert appraisers evaluates thousands of items during each season's taping event, but only a handful are selected to appear in front of the cameras: rare artifacts with local ties, dazzling works of art collected by unwitting connoisseurs, first editions signed by literary legends, pop culture memorabilia steeped in childhood nostalgia, and the weird and wonderful finds of eagle-eyed treasure hunters. Unpacking these stories is the key to every conclusion, unlocking the answer to the question on everyone's mind: What's it worth?

Here's a look at the June episodes from part one of *Chesapeake Collectibles'* 13th season.

EPISODE SUMMARIES

Episode 1 (June 1): During the season premiere, experts evaluate a radical abstract painting by a female artist from Pakistan and a custom-made, lead-lined bronze lamp depicting the Crusades. The journey continues with a stunning 18-karat gold Rolex and a classic Pennsylvania long rifle steeped in frontier history. Finally, a vinyl collection yields a "holy grail" – a rare recording by Delta Blues icon Robert Johnson. Fans of the series can get an early look at the season's first episode by using [this link](#).

Episode 2 (June 8): Episode two reveals the extraordinary stories hidden within everyday objects. From the hushed corridors of the White House to the bright lights of Broadway, segments explore a treasure trove of historical items. Appraisers discover a collection of luxury timepieces, a rare silver menorah with an elusive past, and poignant Civil War relics that tell a tale of family sacrifice.

Episode 3 (June 15): Episode three dives into a fascinating selection of stories, from satirical military traditions to the birth of the digital age. Appraisers examine an evocative maritime painting with deep roots in Baltimore's infamous Block, and power up one of the world's first personal computers. Viewers also learn about the annual "wallow" of a century-old fraternal order, and marvel at a rare Soviet propaganda plate found at a local flea market.

Episode 4 (June 22): The fourth episode features treasures from Maryland's past. Appraisers examine 19th-century manumission papers linked to the Oblate Sisters of Providence and a sterling silver punch bowl that served Washington, D.C.'s elite. Viewers also get a look at a unique collection of John F. Kennedy memorabilia from Havre de Grace, a salesman's vibrant sample book of antique lithographic wrapping paper, and a Winchester rifle renowned as the "gun that won the West."

Episode 5 (June 29): From historic engravings to a collection of nostalgic Baltimore cigar bands, this episode offers a look at a diverse range of treasures. Viewers will marvel at an iconic Audubon elephant folio print that leaves its owner stunned by its value, be moved by a poignant Civil War soldier's diary, and examine the intricate craftsmanship of vintage Thai demon masks. Finally, the episode journeys through cinema history with an extensive collection of *2001: A Space Odyssey* memorabilia.

On June 1, *Chesapeake Collectibles* will launch its YouTube page, offering fans of the series content including segments from past seasons, behind-the-scenes videos, and the digital series Tales from the Table, in which appraisers discuss their history with the show and recount their favorite experiences. The link to the YouTube page is youtube.com/@ChesapeakeCollectibles.

More than 1,000 guests attended the *Chesapeake Collectibles* season 13 taping event in October 2025 at The Irene and Edward H. Kaplan Production Studio on MPT's Owings Mills campus. [Visit this website page](#) for information about how to register for the show's Season 14 taping weekend on October 3-4.

Viewers of the series can also sign up for the free monthly e-newsletter, *The Chesapeake Collector*, at mpt.org/newsletters/.

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