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Blowing our Horn!

In December 2009 the society launched its monthly e circular with a brief discussion about our pair of remarkable 18th century carved angels which once adorned the organ of the Dutch Reformed Church on Market Square. This month, we have seen them come full circle as the "face" of the Philadelphia Antiques Show, now adorning countless billboards, posters and magazine ads throughout the region and the country.

The society is extremely proud to be one of a small number of lenders featured in the Antiques Show loan exhibit, entitled *Celebrations: Antiques that Mark the Moment*. In addition to the angels, the society is loaning four significant pieces from our museum collections: a pair of cups commemorating the Marquis de Lafayette's visit to Philadelphia, an ophicleide and its painted box used by the Germantown Blues militia band, and *The Turk*, our fascinating connection to the Grand Mischianza that marked the end of the occupation of Philadelphia by the British in 1778. For the first time in known memory, *The Turk* will be displayed along with *The Grenadier* from the collections of the Philadelphia History Museum, the only other known surviving "dummy board" figure produced by John Andre for the Mischianza.

For more information on The Philadelphia Antiques Show, which runs from April 9, 2010 though April 12, 2010 at the Philadelphia Navy Yard, please visit their website by clicking here. Information on the loan exhibit (including a downloadable guide) can be accessed by clicking here. Come see for yourself how Germantown shares and celebrates its rich history!

Help us build community identity!

As a not-for-profit, the society depends on your involvement and contributions to support our work as keepers of our shared past. You can help by making a financial contribution, joining as a member, volunteering or simply sharing this e-circular with friends and neighbors. Visit our website or email us to learn more about how you can help!