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**Rapidly Growing U.S. & British Digital Antiques Communities, Antiques Young Guns U.S.A. & MyAntiqueSchool, Team Up to Drive Change for the Digital Generation**

**NEW YORK (May 10, 2016)** – Antiques Young Guns U.S.A. recently announced their latest partnership with MyAntiqueSchool, the world’s new premier online antiques and collectibles school.

Elsbeth Briscoe, former eBay and Skype exec, and now CEO of MyAntiqueSchool says, "We've partnered with Antiques Young Guns U.S.A. as they share our quest for innovation in the antiques industry. We have a common goal to enable experts in the industry globally to share their knowledge with enthusiasts and collectors. We are also united in our passion for speaking to the next generation of young antiques and collectibles enthusiasts using their preferred media choices – which means digitally via the web, and using the latest technologies to unite this thriving and emerging digital community."

MyAntiqueSchool provides short online courses taught by the top U.S. and U.K. authors, broadcasters and dealers. Tutors include Judith Miller, author of the acclaimed Miller’s Guides; David Rago, author, owner of Rago auctions and regular on the Antiques Roadshow; Toma Haines and many more.

Each course is supported with collaborative online learning, personalized feedback from tutors and fellow classmates as well as high quality multimedia teaching materials. All courses are taught in a simple to use online classroom format that gather students from more than 50 countries worldwide. Prices range from \$100 for a taster course to more than \$1,000 for longer, more in-depth courses.

Briscoe goes on to explain: "With a global recession over the last few years, we’re seeing a fashion for the younger generation to become more interested in recycling, vintage and finely made goods from the past for their homes. This will take us into the next wave of antiques collecting of vintage goods – with a special focus on items becoming on trend from the 50s, 60s and 70s. MyAntiqueSchool covers all eras and ages, ranging from fine jewelry collectors, to arts and crafts lovers, medieval or interior designers who love mid-century. We have a particular interest in connecting experts in every antiques and vintage niche field, with passionate communities globally. We’re the first people in the world to do this."

MyAntiqueSchool is offering a 20 percent discount to all Antiques Young Gun U.S.A. members on any of their online courses for one year. The school is also providing a free course to the 2016 Antiques Young Gun of the Year. The winner will be announced later this summer.

For more information on MyAntiqueSchool or to book a course, visit [www.my-antique-school.com](http://www.my-antique-school.com).

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### **About U.S. Antique Shows & Antiques Young Guns U.S.A.**

U.S. Antique Shows formed a strategic alliance with Antiques Young Guns U.K. to bring the incredibly successful program to the United States in March 2015. Antiques Young Guns U.S.A. promotes growth, education and exposure to those in the trade, 39 years old or younger, to a national audience of antiques enthusiasts. The program offers many member benefits, including online exposure through the Antiques Young Guns marketplace, several buying, selling and networking events throughout the year, recognition in numerous trade and national publications and much more.

U.S. Antique Shows, producer of the industry's most anticipated events, serves the unique needs of the antique and antique jewelry marketplace with shows in Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Miami and New York. The group's events offer a broad range of antiques as well as antique, vintage and estate jewelry and watches, and annually draws more than 50,000 consumers and 3,000 dealers from 28 countries worldwide.

For more information on Antiques Young Guns U.S.A., visit [AntiquesYoungGunsUSA.com](http://AntiquesYoungGunsUSA.com), like us on Facebook: [Facebook.com/AntiquesYoungGuns](https://Facebook.com/AntiquesYoungGuns), follow us on Twitter and Instagram: [@AYG\\_USA](https://@AYG_USA). Check out our blog at [youngguns.usantiqueshows.com/blog/](http://youngguns.usantiqueshows.com/blog/).

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### **About MyOnlineSchool**

MyOnlineSchool, MyAntiqueSchool's parent company, was founded by Elspeth Briscoe (eBay, Skype) and Duncan Heather (Oxford College of Garden Design) and went live in 2011.

MyGardenSchool and MyPhotoSchool now serve students from over 50 countries worldwide, their most far-flung students come from Argentina, New Zealand and Indonesia. They have delivered thousands of hours of lessons to students and well over a million users have visited their sites. MyGardenSchool and MyPhotoSchool have won The Good Web Guide Awards three times and are partnered with many highly respected industry leaders, such as The RHS, BALI, APLD, The Daily Telegraph, The Guardian and Mumsnet. In February 2015, MyOnlineSchool announced seed funding of nearly half a million pounds from a team of specialist institutional investors to help launch and develop MyAntiqueSchool.

MyOnlineSchool's community of enthusiasts value the convenience of online learning, but need a more in-depth, interactive experience than other forms of online learning like MOOCs. (MOOCs have a course completion rate of 10-20 percent MyOnlineSchool has completion rates of 80-90 percent).

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