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You won't find booths full of tube socks and toiletries, not unless the tube socks are hand-knitted from hand-spun yarn and the toiletries are brewed in the vendor's home laboratory. The market turns down four applicants for every vendor they approve. Then, they arrange the vendors "the way one seats a dinner party." Market organizers look for personality, display style and chemistry between the vendors.

Though unusual, the Randolph Street Market system seems to work. Shoppers blanket the monthly market, and many of the vendors have been discovered by Hollywood set decorators, stylists, store merchandisers and art buyers.

The Randolph Street Market opens for business on one weekend each month. Special market sections include the Chicago Antique Market, the Indie Designer Market and Modern Vintage Chicago. What's coming next? Who knows, but you can bet you'll have a blast.

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Idaho

• Junk Salvation Vintage Market

August 4, 2012
Kootenai County Fairgrounds in Coeur d'Alene
funkyjunksisters.com

More Idaho Flea Markets

- **Magic Valley Flea Market** (Filer) magicvalleyfleamarket.com
- **The Wild Hare Flea Market** (Pocatello) (208) 232-1111 or (208) 251-4984
- **Oosterhout Dutch Village Flea Market** (Rigby) oosterhoutdutch.tripod.com/id22.htm
- **Ketchum Art & Antique Show** (Ketchum) web.me.com/cbrooks13/MC_Presents/Calendar.html

Illinois

• Randolph Street Market/Chicago Antique Market

One weekend per month
Randolph and Washington Streets in Chicago
randolphstreetmarket.com

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Accommodations and Attractions

Spend the night within walking distance of Chicago's Magnificent Mile at the Gold Coast Guest House Bed & Breakfast. The 1873 townhouse has four guest suites and a lush, two-level garden. (312) 337-0362 or bbchicago.com

For a quiet rest after your Chicago flea market trip, stay at the Old Victorian Farmhouse Bed & Breakfast in Wauconda. The 150-year-old, well-appointed farmhouse overlooks Main Street. Book high tea for the afternoon, or plan to visit during one of the murder mystery dinners. (847) 526-9271 or old-victorianfarmhouse.com

Take an architectural boat tour on the Chicago River to view more than 40 of the city's most famous landmarks. As you cruise in comfort, learn about the Chicago's history from your tour guide. (888) 881-3284 or chicagotours.us

Spend some time exploring The Field Museum, Chicago's largest cabinet of curiosity. The renowned natural history museum contains in excess of 20 million specimens and artifacts, including collections from the Chicago World's Fair of 1893. (312) 922-9410 or fieldmuseum.org

More Illinois Flea Markets

- **3 French Hens French Country Market** (Morris) 3frenchhensmarket.blogspot.com
- **3rd Sunday Market** (Bloomington) thirdsundaymarket.com
- **All-Night Flea Market** (Wheaton) zurkopromotions.com
- **Belvidere Antique Market** (Belvidere) zurkopromotions.com/Belvidere.htm
- **Grayslake Antique Market** (Grayslake) zurkopromotions.com/Grayslake.htm
- **Kane County Flea Market** (St. Charles) kanecountyfleamarket.com
- **Kendall County Flea Market** (Yorkville) kanecountyfleamarket.com
- **Lake in the Hills Street Market** (Lake in the Hills) lakeinthehillsfleamarket.com
- **Sandwich Antiques Market** (Sandwich) antiquemarkets.com
- **Wheaton Antique Market** (Wheaton) zurkopromotions.com/Wheaton.htm

Indiana

• Shippshewana Flea Market

Every Tuesday and Wednesday, May through November
345 S. Van Buren Street in Shippshewana
tradingplaceamerica.com

More Indiana Flea Markets

- **Canal Days Festival** (Metamora) metamoraindiana.com/canaldays.htm
- **Collectors Carnival Shows** (Evansville) collectorscarnivalshows.com
- **Friendship Flea Market** (Friendship) friendshipfleamarket.com
- **Speedway Flea Market** (Fort Wayne) speedwayfleamarket.com
- **Tri-State Antique Market** (Lawrenceburg) queencityshows.com/tristate/tristate.html
- **White's Farm Flea Market** (Brookville) whiteprofessionalservices.com/whites-farm-buyers/

Iowa

• Walnut Antique Show

Each Father's Day Weekend
I-80 to Walnut, Exit 46
walnutantiqueshow.com

More Iowa Flea Markets

- **Antique Acres** (Cedar Falls) antiqueacres.org
- **Collector's Paradise Flea Market** (What Cheer) whatcheerfleamarket.com
- **Dubuque Flea Market** (Dubuque) (815) 747-7745
- **Iowa State Fairgrounds Flea Market** (Des Moines) iowastatefair.org
- **Vick's Corner Antique Show and Flea Markets** (Spirit Lake) vickscorner.com/antique.htm
- **Yesteryear Market** (Hopkinton) delcoiowahistory.org/Yester_Market_and_Events.html



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