

Pop-up 'Pawn'

Get piece of History in Times Square

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DID you want to be there when Rick Harrison of "Pawn Star" was bargaining for a prime piece of kitsch?

Does the art of the deal on "American Pickers" make you want to get out of the lounge and on to the back roads of Vermont?

Sure, you *want* to be there yourself, but who wants to fly to Vegas or drive a panel truck to the middle of nowhere — right? Wrong.

Next week, some of the dusty, old stuff that has been bought on the hit History Channel shows is

going on sale at a pop-up store in Times Square.

The shop — on Broad-

way and 44th Street — will be open for business only during the holidays.

Among the fantastic *tchotchkes* you can buy:

■ A British WWI dress sword for \$499

■ A 1960's motorcycle gas tank selling for the chump change price of \$200

■ A rare, carved monkey ivory statue priced at \$230.

■ A pair handcuffs from the early 1900s for a mere \$250.

■ And the most expensive item: a military citation signed — not by au-

topen, really signed — by then-President Ronald Reagan. That's \$1,000.

History Chan-

nel claims it has no interest in going into the antique business for any longer than a month.

All it wants to do is drum up attention for "Pawn Stars" and "Pickers" — two of cable TV's most-watched shows — among the throngs who troop through Times Square during the holidays.

"Pawn Stars," about a

family-run pawn shop in Las Vegas, and "American Pickers," about two guys who go through old barns and garages looking for collectibles, both draw more than four million viewers a week.





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