

# New Frontier to auction iconic John Wayne film-worn hats and apparel; Native American and Old West memorabilia, Aug. 27

*Featured: John Wayne's 'Red River' hat and 'The Alamo' buckskin jacket & coonskin cap; cowboy, Native American and Old West antiques*

CHEYENNE, WYOMING, USA, August 17, 2022 /EINPresswire.com/ -- No movie character played by the immortal John Wayne was ever accused of being "all hat, no cattle." Whether playing a cattle baron in *The Cowboys and Chisum* or portraying such unforgettable characters as *True Grit's* Rooster Cogburn and *Alamo* hero Davy Crockett, Wayne always delivered onscreen credibility. His decades-long career and signature persona made him one of the world's most admired Western stars. [New Frontier Auctions](#) is proud to announce that, as featured highlights of their August 27 auction at the Cheyenne Firearms & Western Collectibles Show, they will offer eight very special items screen-worn by "The Duke."

All of the items are from a single-owner private collection and have been "heavily vetted," said New Frontier owner Scott Tarbell. "Each John Wayne lot comes with affidavits and letters of authenticity from Boyd Magers, the number one authenticator of Western film memorabilia."

Hats always "made the man" in golden-era Westerns, and few are as instantly identifiable as the silver-banded hat worn by John Wayne in the 1948 Academy Award-nominated film [Red River](#). The American Film Institute named *Red River* the fifth-greatest Western of all time, but the hat took on a life of its own. *Entertainment Magazine* called it "one of the most iconic hats in film history." New Frontier's experts believe it will hammer \$10,000-\$30,000 at auction.



Two now-classic wardrobe items from the 1960 historical war epic *The Alamo* will be sold. Each has two collar tags – one from United Costumers and the other from Wayne’s own production company, Batjac, identifying the film and actor. Lot 251 is the actual fringed buckskin jacket John Wayne wore as Colonel Davy Crockett, the one-time Tennessee Congressman who fought in the Texas Revolution and died at the Battle of The Alamo. Estimate: \$8,000-\$15,000. Lot 260 is the highly recognizable [coonskin cap](#) that Wayne wore while filming *The Alamo*. In nicely preserved condition, it is estimated at \$10,000-\$30,000. Tarbell remarked: “History has remembered Davy Crockett wearing two things – his fringed, buckskin jacket and a coonskin cap. Crockett is depicted in just that way on the 1967 US postage stamp that honors him.”

Other John Wayne items include: the authentic US military tunic and dress kepi worn by the actor in *She Wore A Yellow Ribbon*, each estimated at \$8,000-\$15,000; the cowboy hat owned and worn by Wayne as the title character of the 1973 film *Cahill US Marshal*, \$10,000-\$30,000; and a second coonskin cap which was personally owned by Wayne and which he wore at PR engagements and photo shoots promoting *The Alamo*, \$8,000-\$15,000.



Coonskin cap worn by John Wayne in the 1960 epic film ‘*The Alamo*.’ Nicely preserved with original prop house tag from Wayne’s production company identifying the film and actor. Extensive documentation: Boyd Magers LOA, affidavit and more. Estimate \$10,000

The sale includes a fantastic mix of historical relics, bronzes, paintings, textiles, saddles, boots and more, with a strong emphasis on real-life “cowboys and Indians.” One of the earliest Native American items is a fitted circa 1860-1870 fringed buckskin frontier shirt featuring a densely hand-beaded yoke and artistically decorated pockets. Its estimate is \$2,000-\$4,000.

An outstanding Crow Indian child’s outfit consisting of a buckskin shirt and pants is fringed throughout and accented with red tradecloth and translucent cobalt and robin’s-egg blue beads. Worthy of a place of honor in even the most advanced collection, it is estimated at \$2,000-\$4,000. Another stunning work of art is an oversize Plains Indian pipe bag, ochre with long fringe and a multicolor design that incorporates red, green, cobalt and robin’s-egg blue beads against a white beaded ground. Auction estimate: \$2,500-\$3,500

Firearms collectors who seek the unusual will find it in a Colt .45-caliber Single Action Army revolver with two-piece carved bone grips. It is marked “101” on the frame and “7” on the opposite side, and is attributed to the famed 101 Ranch of the Oklahoma Indian Territory. It is on

that vast property that the Miller Brothers started their legendary Wild West Show featuring many trick shooting and Western frontier acts. The gun is estimated at \$2,500-\$5,500.

The auction includes 78 lots of extraordinary spurs representing such revered artisans as Buermann, J.O. Bass, Kelly Brothers, Crockett and Mike Morales. Highlights include a pair of Buermann single-inlaid spurs with cut-out snake heel bands, deeply chased iron off-sides, and a very early AB (August Buermann) star mark, \$3,500-\$5,000; and a show-stopping pair of Mike Morales extra-large single-mounted spurs with cut-out heart heel bands, elongated and rounded silver candy-striped shanks, massive rowels and flower-tooled dove-wing straps, \$1,500-\$2,500.



Fringed buckskin jacket worn by John Wayne in the film 'The Alamo.' Collar tags from United Costumers and Wayne's production company identifying the film and actor. Boyd Magers LOA, affidavit, and portfolio of information. Estimate \$8,000-\$15,000

An unusual and very high-quality Deer Lodge, Montana prison-made horsehair bridle has a rarely seen orange background with a finely detailed nose and browband design. It is

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complemented by hitched glass rosettes and brilliantly hued tassels. In absolutely mint condition, this wonderful example of hand-craftsmanship is estimated at \$3,500-\$4,500.

New Frontier's Saturday, Aug. 27, 2022 auction will start at 4pm MT/6pm ET. Preview in person at the Cheyenne Firearms & Western Collectibles Show on Friday, Aug. 26 from noon-5pm and on auction day, Aug. 27, from 9 a.m. till 4 pm. (local time). The show and auction venue is located at the Laramie County Events Center at Archer, in Cheyenne, Wyoming. For additional information about any

item in the auction, call Scott Tarbell at 913-406-8057, email [newfrontiershow@gmail.com](mailto:newfrontiershow@gmail.com). View full details about the Aug. 26-28 show and Aug. 27 auction online at [www.newfrontiershow.com](http://www.newfrontiershow.com). View the catalog and sign up to bid absentee or live online through LiveAuctioneers.

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