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What Can I Do With My Major?

Conversation with

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Sara Blanchett graduated from UNC Charlotte in 2008 with a Bachelor of Arts in Africana Studies and a minor in American Studies. She continued her education and received her Master of Arts in History from UNCC in 2013. Sara has interned with the Smithsonian's Anacostia Community Museum in Washington, D.C, and the Harvey B. Gantt Center for African-American Arts + Culture here in Charlotte. Prior to her current job, she was an historic interpreter in the African American Historic Interpretation department of Colonial Williamsburg in Williamsburg, VA. Sara currently works as the Assistant Site Manager, Collections Manager, and Head of Programming and Events at Reed Gold Mine State Historic Site in Cabarrus County, NC.

Lea Koonce Ogundiran is an Estate Buyer, Jewelry Consultant, and Graduate Gemologist with Perry's at South Park, Charlotte (NC). She is an expert in jewelry appraisals and gemstone identification, with a strong interest in jewelry history. She has been in the jewelry business for about two decades. Her related work experience included Christie's Inc., Harry Winston, and Tiffany & Co. She has also appeared on several occasions as an appraiser on PBS "Antiques Roadshow." Lea is a graduate of the Gemological Institute of America, New York and a licensed auctioneer in the State of North Carolina. She holds a Bachelors of Arts in Biology with a Specialization in Marine Science from Boston University.