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Auction:
Fine Art, Furniture, Decorative Arts and Jewelry
December 6, 10am

Previews:
December 3 - 6

Location:
Alameda, CA

EXCEPTIONAL FINE ART, FURNITURE, DECORATIVE ARTS AND JEWELRY SALE TO CAPTIVATE COLLECTORS AT MICHAAN'S IN ALAMEDA!

Michaan's December 6th auction offers one of the finest collections of art, furniture, porcelain, silver and jewelry in the gallery's history. A full color catalog accompanies the 555 lot sale. Previews are Friday, Saturday and Sunday 10 to 5 and Monday beginning at 9.

The sale begins at 10 a.m. with Californian, American and European paintings, drawings and prints spanning the 16th through the 21st centuries. Highlights include a colorful 1920 oil by the Sausalito born E. Charlton Fortune - one of the few female impressionists - and a fine 1854 watercolor of Russian Prince Peter Dmetrievich Gorchakov by the French portraitist Jean Auguste Dominique Ingres. Other favorites are a William Coulter oil of a ship passing through the Golden Gate, a lovely view of Mt. Tamalpais by Thaddeus Welch, 16th century Flemish genre scenes and a challenging German mixed media collage.

The Furniture and Decorative Arts portion of this sale has an outstanding selection of fine porcelain including forty KPM and Meissen porcelain plaques with religious, mythological, genre and portrait studies; a pair

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of Meissen botanical plaques; 70 pieces of Royal Copenhagen Flora Danica porcelain a Meissen monkey band and figures of Aeolus, Bacchus and Cupid.

A strong English and American silver section with highlights being a Henry Chawner ivory mounted sterling hot water pot; a 1819 Samuel Hennell flatware service; a pair of Hester Bateman pedestal tureens; an extensive William Gale gothic tea service; an aesthetic Wood & Hughes centerpiece; a Tiffany & Co. sterling tea service; a group of Chinese and Japanese export silver and a special Cartier black lacquer tea caddy.

Bronzes includes a Renaissance Revival gilt bronze mounted covered horn (ex Vincent Price), "L'Hirondelle", a bronze figural group by Alfred Boucher and a Georges L. Repaire Rigot ivory and mixed metal figure of an Art Deco Woman.

A fine selection of art glass includes more than 25 Galle, Daum and Le Verre Francais/Schneider vases and an early Lalique punch set as well as a small grouping of Tiffany Favrile glass. The sale also has four sets of Aesthetic Movement four panel stained glass windows.

The 20th century has strong representation in the sale with a sale off with a Paul Frankl console table; a set of fourteen Mies Van Der Rohe Brno chairs, a set of six Hans Wenger sculpted chairs; a superb 1930s Visalia Saddle Company silver mounted show saddle and several pieces of 1940s Margot de Taxco enameled sterling jewelry.

The sale closes with 135 lots of the finest jewelry Michaan's has ever assembled. Connoisseurs will vie for an exquisite collection of untreated natural jade necklaces and rings; incredible Art Deco bracelets, rings and pins; Georgian and Edwardian diamond and colored stone rings and pins; and rare golden quartz chatelaine and natural nugget cufflinks. Fine timepieces in the sale include an important Patek Philippe wristwatch, an IWC wristwatch, a platinum and diamond wristwatch as well as gold pocket watches.

Samples of highlights to be offered:

Jean Auguste Dominique Ingres
"Portrait of a Stateman,"
Watercolor on paper, 1834
Estimate: \$75,000 / 100,000

KPM Porcelain Plaque of Beauty After Angelo Asti
Estimate: \$4,000 / 6,000

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Magnificent Pair of Meissen Porcelain
Botanical Plaques Mounted in Giltwood Frame
Estimate: \$15,000 / 20,000

Tiffany Gold Favrile Millefiore Vase
Estimate: \$5,000 / 7,000

Set of Six Hans Wegner Walnut Chairs
branded "Johannes Hansen Copenhagen Denmark"
Estimate: \$3,000 / 5,000

Margo de Taxco Enamel, Sterling Silver Snake Necklace
Estimate: \$300 / 500

Emerald Diamond, Platinum
14k Yellow Gold Bracelet
Estimate: \$4,000 / 6,000

Jadeite, Diamond, Platinum Ring
Estimate: \$32,000 / 45,000

Patek Philippe Top Hat, 18 Rose Gold Wristwatch
Estimate: \$9,000 / 12,000

About Michaan's Auctions

Michaan's Auctions is a leading full service auction house on the West Coast. Specializing in the appraisals and sale of antiques and fine art, Michaan's has specialists in the fields of Furniture and Decorative Arts, Modern, Contemporary Art, European and American Paintings and Prints, Books and Manuscripts, Jewelry, Asian Works of Art and Ethnographic Art.

Established in 2002, Michaan's Auctions holds up to thirty sales each year attracting a broad base of buyers and consignors from all over the world. With one of the largest facilities in Northern California and the Bay Area's lowest buyers premium Michaan's offers buyers and sellers the opportunity to preview and bid on many unique and desirable property. Some of these pieces realized world record prices. In 2005 A.D.M. Cooper's oil painting, Three Graces 1915, sold for a record \$21,060 and an Eduard Gaertner oil, German City Street Scene 1831, sold for \$266,000.

Michaan's has built its reputation on its ability to accept single items, groups or entire estates with its "no risk consignment policy" free of hidden fees and

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