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CLASSIC FRENCH FURNISHINGS AND 20TH CENTURY ACCESSORIES AT MICHAAN'S JUNE 7TH SUMMER AUCTION

Michaan's Auction is pleased to offer a broad selection of 19th and 20th century furniture, lighting and decorations in their June 7th sale. The auction will feature a fine collection of classically styled French furniture including pieces by ebonist Paul Sormani (1817-1877):

- A spectacular Louis XV style kingwood and gilt bronze display cabinet (Estimate: \$40,000-60,000)
- A fine Louis XV style tulipwood and gilt bronze gueridon (Estimate: \$6,000-9,000)
- A glorious Louis XV style gilt bronze and satine lady's writing desk is likely by the cabinetmaker Theodore Millet (Estimate: \$40,000-60,000)

Millet's firm, known for their high quality recreations of Louis XV and XVI styles, was the firm commissioned by the Palais Versailles in 1902 to build a replacement for Marie Antoinette's jewel cabinet. The desk offered at Michaan's has a six drawer superstructure flanked by a pair of two light gilt bronze.

Decoration highlights include:

- Two Art Deco Daum Nancy acid etched table lamps (Estimates: \$8,000-12,000 and \$3,000-4,0000 respectively)
- A pair of geometric leaded and stained glass windows in the style of Frank Lloyd Wright (Estimate: \$2,000-3,000)
- A lovely example of a Moser cut glass Art Nouveau vase (Estimate: \$2,500-3,500)
- A beautiful crater glazed stoneware bowl by potters and glazers Gertrude and Otto Natzler made in the mid 1950s (Estimate: \$10,00-15,000)
- A Duffner & Kimberly slag glass and iron strap work suite of hanging lamp and sconces (Estimate: \$10,000-12,000)

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Other furniture highlights include:

- A Louis XV style porcelain and gilt bronze mounted display cabinet (\$4,000-6,000)
- A kingwood marquetry games table (\$2,000-3,000)
- A Napoleon III secretary with ebonized and mother of pearl inlay (\$4,000-6,000)
- Two lovely Napoleon III bouille cabinets (\$2,500-4,000 and \$1,400-1,600)
- A 36" high patinated and figural gilt bronze eight light chandelier en suite with a pair of wall sconces (\$5,000-7,000)
- A stunning Sevres porcelain three-piece clock garniture by Japy Freres and retailed by Gilman Collomore (\$3,000-5,000)

A full color catalog of these fine collections, as well as silver, fine art, paintings, sculpture and Asian works of art is available. The catalog can also be viewed online at www.michaans.com.

About Michaan's Auctions

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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 charges. Michaan's specialists are dedicated to staying current on the latest issues and developments in the market and are committed to providing personalized and professional attention throughout the entire auction process.