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Auction:

Recipe for Hope Benefit Auction of Fine & Decorative Arts A Fundraising Auction benefiting the Alameda County Community Food Bank May 7, 2012 at 10am

Previews: May 4 – May 7

Location: Michaan's Auctions 2751 Todd Street Alameda, CA 94501 www.michaans.com info@michaans.com

Auction to Alleviate Hunger

Michaan's Auctions will host a benefit auction in support of the Alameda County Community Food Bank on May 7, 2010. For the past several months, Michaan's has been acquiring coveted art, antiques and collectables from private collectors and antique dealers across the West Coast. The fundraiser will take these treasures and use them to assist this worthy organization in need; the perfect ingredients for a Recipe for Hope.

The <u>Recipe for Hope</u> auction is a wonderful way to add to your own personal collection while helping to alleviate the suffering of those in need. The auction will feature approximately 350 lots of fine art, antiques, sterling silver, jewelry, porcelain, textiles, Asian items and contemporary crafts and collectibles. Most of the lots are new to the market and come from personal estate collections.



Since January of 2008, the demand for emergency food assistance has doubled. The Alameda County Community Food Bank serves 1 in 6 people in Alameda County, many of them children from working families and seniors which, adds up to approximately 49,000 people. Over half of the 22 million pounds of food distributed last year was fresh fruits and vegetables.

Proceeds from the sale will go towards providing food, nutrition, education and hunger prevention advocacy in the community. The auction will be held at Michaan's Main Gallery located at 2751 Todd Street, Alameda, CA 94501 with bidding to commence at 10 a.m. Previews begin on May 4th and continue until the day of sale.

To learn more about the <u>Recipe for Hope</u> auction please visit <u>www.michaans.com</u> or call Jane Alexiadis at Michaan's Auctions at 510-227-2510.

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, Michaans has specialists in the fields of Furniture and Decorative Arts, Modern, Contemporary Art, European and American Paintings and Prints, 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 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.

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