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Auction:
Estate Auction
Featuring fine art, decorative arts, Asian art and jewelry
June 2 at 10am

Previews:
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Michaan's Monthly June Estate Auction

Notable lots include R. Arneson's "Me & Jackson, 1987," a modern multi-stone fashion bangle, a decorative Chinese export card and game box and a fine Pennsylvania Dutch tole painted coffee pot

Fine art presents an over 150 lot sale, largely of American and European works from the 19th and 20th centuries. Oil paintings, watercolors and etchings are included along with a selection of ethnographic works of art. Highlighting the sale is a Robert Arneson lithograph titled "Me & Jackson, 1987" (lot 659). Notorious for incorporating his own image into his artwork, Arneson remained true to form as he is depicted as a red image that overlaps Jackson, the central image of the piece. Arneson is also an internationally known sculptor, largely regarded as the father of the ceramic Funk Art Movement. His works can be found in public and private collections from New York City to Kyoto, Japan. "Me & Jackson, 1987" will be offered in the June estate sale at an auction estimate of \$2,500-3,500.

Over 175 jewelry lots will be presented in the June estate sale, abounding with precious gemstones. In addition to the wide variety of diamonds and colored stones is a selection of corals, over 15 lots of jade jewelry and a collection of pocket watches. At the forefront of the June offerings is a carnelian, lapis lazuli, turquoise and 14k yellow

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gold bracelet. The bracelet is a wonderfully crafted, contemporary fashion piece of angular design containing geometric stones. It features eight carnelian tablets alongside sixteen lapis lazuli and eight turquoise slices, all set in a 14k yellow gold bangle. The finished look is one of a chic, modern, fashion-forward aesthetic. The contemporary bracelet will be sold as lot 258 at an estimate of \$800-900.

Asian lots include carved jades and corals, porcelains, glassworks, scrolls, bronzes, woodcuts and snuff bottles. A Chinese export card and game box is featured in June as lot 375 (\$750-1,000). Very popular in the Western world (most specifically in England), in the late 18th to early 19th centuries, the lacquered and gilt painted box holds various gaming implements. This set contains four small boxes of similar decoration, sixty-eight counters, or chips, and eight trays in the manner of playing cards. The highly collectible mother of pearl chips are one of the most valuable components of the set, delicately carved as fish, rectangles and oblong forms with pictorial designs. The black and gold lacquer box is decorated by village scenes with sprays of flora and fauna, finished by carved, baroque style legs.

American and European decorative items will comprise over 95 lots of the auction. Period furniture including Renaissance Revival, French Provincial and Baroque pieces will account for over 50 lots in the sale. Silver offerings are plentiful as well with makers such as Wallace Stradivani, Gorham, Kirk & Son and Reed & Barton up for auction. A specialty offering of 16 lots of Paul Stankard art glass paperweights will also be available to bidders in June. Highlighting the Furniture and Decorative Art Department's lot selection is a fine Pennsylvania Dutch tole painted coffee pot (lot 729, \$1,000-1,500). The 19th century piece is fashioned with a crook spout and cheerful paintings of yellow fruit, alongside borders of berries and red and green leaves. The pot bears its original patina and is topped by a fitted, hinged, painted lid. The traditional colors and style of the Pennsylvania Dutch folk-art tradition of tole painting are clearly evident in this pot; a highly collectible and sought after piece for its rustic, whimsical appeal.

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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, Jewelry and Asian Works of 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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