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## PRE SALE PRESS RELEASE!

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Auction:  
Estate Auction  
Featuring fine art, decorative arts and jewelry  
Sunday July 6, 2014, 10am  
Previews:  
May 30 – June 1 and by appointment

Location:  
Michaan's Auctions  
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## **Pablo Picasso & Louis Vuitton Featured at Michaan's in July**

Approximately 90 lots of fine art will be incorporated in Michaan's July estate sale. Noteworthy works from California artists include pieces of marine inspiration, found in Selden Connor Gile's oil painting "Moored Boats, Fisherman's Wharf" (lot 439, \$4,000-6,000). Also available at auction is Frederick Ferdinand Schafer's oil on canvas rendered "Alpine Lake" (lot 442, \$2,000-3,000) as well as Arthur Edwaine Beaumont's watercolor and gouache on paper "Fishing Boat with Figures" (lot 444, \$700-800). European oil paintings at sale are represented by strong examples of Dutch imagery and origins. Of interest is Jacques Francois Carabain's "Dutch Canal Scene" (lot 386, \$2,000-4,000), Evert Moll's Dutch School "Ships Heading into Harbor" (lot 385, \$1,000-1,500) and Dutch artist Lucie van Dam Isselt's floral still life at an estimate of \$500-700 (lot 387).

Pablo Picasso (1881-1973) highlights fine art works with his Madoura studios varnished terra cotta tile titled "Visage a la barbiche" (lot 420, \$10,000-15,000). Picasso's Madoura ceramics personify his artistic genius and passion for the sculptural medium. The tile for sale measures 12 x 12 inches, painted as a front facing goateed gentleman in a soft color palette. The imagination of Picasso was brought to life by Madoura studio artisans, who worked in conjunction with Picasso to execute prototypes and produce numerous editions. Each piece remains a one-of-a-kind

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production, since every item was hand painted. “Visage a la barbiche” bears a Madoura stamp mark upon the reverse as well as an edition number denoting “9/100.”

Many conservatively estimated jewelry lots will present a variety of collectible pieces of quality. Of the brooches in the sale will be a diamond and 18 karat white gold flower pin (lot 206, \$1,000-1,500). The piece is designed as a water lily encrusted with approximately two hundred and fifty full cut diamonds weighing a total of approximately 5.00 carats. From the House of Cartier will be lot 172, a delightful novelty seahorse form brooch at an estimate of \$300-500. The animal’s body is fashioned in 14 karat yellow gold, finished by a round cut ruby eye. Also up for auction will be an Asian motif coral and yellow gold brooch centering a depiction of a fair maiden at an estimate of \$600-800 (lot 112).

Lot collections of rings are highlighted by a substantial, natural jade cabochon. The diverse selection includes a tourmaline, diamond and 18 karat white gold ring centering an oval cut tourmaline weighing approximately 30.40 carats (lot 027, \$1,500-2,000). An Art Deco inspired Erté creation designed as a diamond and 14 karat yellow gold splayed fan ring will be presented at auction as lot 124 (\$600-800). However, the auction’s star lot lies in 219, a jade, diamond and 14 karat yellow gold ring at an estimate of \$11,000-15,000. The jadeite cabochon measures approximately 16.07 x 10.15 x 6.65 mm and is surrounded by a total of twenty-four accent diamonds. The ring is accompanied by a GIA Gem Trade Laboratory Report dated to the year 2013, confirming the jade’s natural color as well as lack of impregnation.

Property comprising desirable artisans and manufacturers make up many of July’s sought-after highlights. Prominent names are abundantly found amongst lots of silver, one of Michaan’s most successful sales categories. Included in the offerings is a set of ten Shreve sterling hammered chargers (lot 621, \$4,000-6,000), a Georg Jensen sterling brandy warmer (lot 620, \$300-400) and a group of six Arts & Crafts hammered silver items that include sterling pieces from Kalo and the SCS Co. (lot 593, \$500-700). From the auction’s decorative items will be a Rookwood standard glaze ewer with yellow freesia decoration (lot 656, \$800-1,200), a Loredano Rosin art glass figural group of two boys (lot 664, \$500-800) and a Pete Miller bronze depicting an amorous cowboy embracing his lady love (lot 672, \$400-600). A most recognizable name from this month’s estate collection also comes from one of the most relevant brands in couture fashion. A pair of vintage Louis Vuitton suitcases will be offered as lot 676 at an estimate of \$1,500-2,000. The suitcases contain all of their original materials and remain in wonderful condition. Each piece of fine baggage measures approximately 16 x 23 x 7 inches and is continually emblazoned with the fashion house’s iconic monogram.

The illustrated auction catalog will be posted online at [www.michaans.com](http://www.michaans.com) when it becomes available. Previews open at Michaan’s Auctions on July 4th until the day of

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sale, July 6, 2014. For general information please call (510) 740-0220 ext. 0 or e-mail [info@michaans.com](mailto:info@michaans.com). Michaan's Auctions is located at 2751 Todd Street, Alameda, CA 94501.

## **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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