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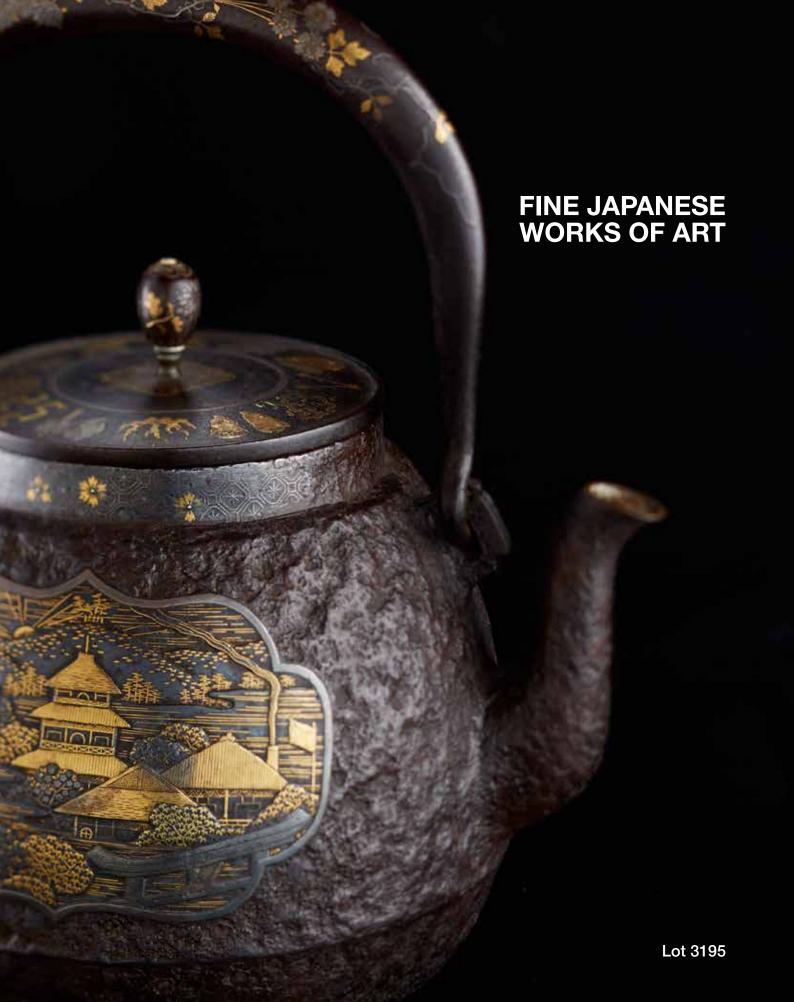
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#### A DAISHO KOSHIRAE The fittings by Goto Renjo, Edo period (1615-1868), 18th-19th century

Each comprising a black-lacquer saya and tsuka wrapped in purple silk and mounted ensuite with shakudo nanako fittings including kurikata, tsuba, fuchi-gashira and menuki, all designed with scenes from the Genpei wars, in iroe taka-zogan and taka-bori, the tsuba and fuchi-gashira signed Goto Renjo and with a kao, the wakizashi goshirae fitted with a kozuka signed Goto Renjo and with a kao

With Tokubetsu Kicho (Especially Precious Sword Fitting) certificate no. 2940 issued by the Nihon Bijutsu Token Hozon Kyokai (Society for Preservation of Japanese Art Swords), dated March 23 1973. 37 3/4in (96cm) long (dai); 29in (73.5cm) long (sho)

\$12,000 - 18,000

3002

## A DAISHO KOSHIRAE WITH FINE KINKO FITTINGS

## Edo period (1615-1868), 18th century

Each with a black-laquer saya decorated with plum-blossom family crests in yamimaki-e, the tsuka wrapped in black silk, the katana goshirae mounted with shakudo nanako-ji fuchi-gashira with roosters, hens and chicks by a torii gate and young pines beneath a full moon in iroe taka-zogan, signed Hisahide (Kikugawa) and with a kao; the wakizashi goshirae mounted with shaukdo nanako-ji fuchi-gashira decorated with roosters, hens and chicks in gold takazogan, signed Yoshiharu (Kuwamura) and with a kao, and a kozuka and kogai decorated to match, each koshirae with an oval shakudo plate tsuba finished in a "crepe" pattern

With Tokubetsu Hozon Tosogu (Sword Fitting Especially Worthy of Preservation) certificate no. 2001131 issued by the Nihon Bijutsu Token Hozon Kyokai (Society for Preservation of Japanese Art Swords), dated June 27 2013. 39 1/2in (100.5cm) (dai); 28 1/8in (71.4cm) long (sho)

\$8,000 - 10,000

3003

## AN IRON SUJI KABUTO (HELMET) Possibly by an Owari smith, Edo period (1615-1868), 17th century

The russet-iron bowl constructed of 18 plates and finished with a three-stage shakudo and gilt chrysanthemum tehen kanamono, the surface decorated with ginger roots and scrolling vines in silver, the mabisashi similarly decorated with celestial clouds, the fukigaeshi with a copper fukurin carved with vines and applied with silvered family crests, fitted with a black lacquer five-lame shikoro, the lowest lame trimmed in boar's fur, laced in dark purple, the interior red lacquer, fitted with a lacquered wood maedate formed as flaming clouds encircling a gilt-copper disk mounted with a silver Sanskrit character for Bishamonten (Vaisravana)

\$12,000 - 18,000





#### A RUSSET-IRON KABUTO (HELMET)

#### By lefusa, Edo period (1615-1868), 18th-19th century

The russet bowl constructed of 60 plates and mounted with a fourstage gilt-copper and shakudo tehen kanamono, the mabisashi and the fukigaeshi applied with stenciled leather and mounted with a five-lame black-lacquer shikoro laced in black and trimmed in orange and blue; fitted with a large kuwagata-style maedate of gilt copper, the kuwagata-dai carved with floral scroll, the bowl signed Soshu no ju lefusa

\$7,000 - 9,000

3005

#### A MOMONARI KABUTO (PEACH-SHAPED HELMET)

Momoyama period (1573-1615), late 16th-early 17th century Constructed in iron in four sections lacquered black and fitted with a three-lame manju-style shikoro, the second and third lames constructed on rawhide, laced in blue indigo cotton \$3,000 - 5,000





#### A RARE UNALTERED KABUTO (HELMET) By Myochin Nobuie, dated 1563

Constructed of 32 heavy iron plates, lacquered russet-brown, the *mabisashi* lacquered black, the *maedate* a simple gilt-brass "u"-shaped crest, the bowl fitted with a three-lame *shikoro* of black-lacquered iron plates in *kiritsuke iyozane* style, the *fukigaeshi* and *shikoro* trimmed with a gilt-copper *fukurin*, fitted with inner chain-mail *shikoro*, a feature typically seen among northern samurai during the Sengoku (Warring States) period, signed on the interior of the bowl *Myochin Nobuie saku* with *kao* and dated *Eiroku mizunoe inu gonen jugatsu no hi* (1563.10)

\$8,000 - 10,000

#### **Exhibited**

Louisville KY, The Frazier History Museum, "Samurai, The Flowering of Japan," 2012.

## **Published**

Andrew Mancabelli and David Pepper, Samurai, The Flowering of Japan, Louisville KY, p. 27.

This helmet, though from rather late in the Muromachi period has its original *shikoro* (neck guard) and metal fittings. Only a handful of helmets from the Muromachi period have come down to us without having been altered-most of them in the collections of Shinto shrines. This helmet is complete with its original, gilt-brass *maedate* (helmet ornament). Gilding brass was common in the late-Muromachi period but *maedate* from this period are rare.





3008

#### 3007<sup>a</sup>

#### A PAIR OF INLAID IRON ABUMI (STIRRUPS)

## By Tsunemitsu, Edo period (1615-1868), 19th century

Of typical form and decorated with *shishi* (Chinese mythical lion) and peony sprays above rolling waves in silver *hira-zogan*, the dots of foam inlaid in silver raised slightly in relief, interior red lacquer, signed on the uprights *Kashu no ju Tsunemitsu saku* 10 5/8in (27cm) long

\$1,000 - 1,500

#### 3008

### A PUBLIC NOTICE BOARD ANNOUNCING A WANTED CRIMINAL Edo period (1615-1868), dated 1864

The wooden sign board fitted with a shallowpitched roof and written in ink with a notice alerting the public to a criminal at large and with a rough sketch of the fugitive

A translation of the notice is as follows:

#### Notice!

The devilish person is depicted on the left. He killed a man, stole assets, hurt an officer and broke through a barricade! Therefore 1 *ryo* in gold will be paid to the person who discovers his whereabouts. 10 *ryo* in gold will be paid to the person who captures him. His height is 5 *shaku* 5 *sun* There is a sword cut to his right jaw. Genji 1 (1864) The Magistrate 14 3/4 x 22 1/2in (37.4 x 57.1cm) \$1,200 - 1,800

#### 3009

## A BLACK AND RED LACQUER ARMOR Edo period (1615-1868), 18th/19th century

The component parts laced in blue and decorated on the lowest lame with textured gilt leather embellishments, comprising a momonari kabuto with a five-lame Hineno shikoro and mounted with a gilt-brass maedate formed as crashing waves; a red-lacquer Nara menpo applied with an up-turned stiff-bristle mustache and silvered teeth fitted with a three-lame gilt-leather yodarekake laced in green and trimmed in orange; the Hotoke do decorated with a shaped band of red lacquer finished in a wood-grain textured pattern and fitted with seven sections of five-lame lacquered leather kusazuri attached with silk damask sections with archaistic Buddhist designs, chusode with reddish-brown lacquer embellishments on the lowest lame; Oda gote with gilt plates, lacquered leather haidate decorated to match the textured sections arranged in a checker-board fashion; gold lacquered tsutsugote; no armor box

\$15,000 - 20,000





3010





3010 (detail)

3010

### AN IMPORTANT ARMOR WITH DAIMYO PROVENANCE The armor Edo period (1615-1868), 19th century, the helmet possibly Muromachi period (1336-1573), 16th century

Constructed of honkozane lacquered black and laced in green with orange and white trim and mounted with elaborate gold hardware adorned with the crest of the Yamaguchi family and comprising a 32-plate akodanari nijo shiho suji kabuto lacquered black with threestage gilt and copper shinodare, fukurin and igaki, three-stage tehen kanamono carved with chrysanthemum scrolls and with gilt and shakudo flourishes, the bowl mounted with a five-lame shikoro ending in long fukigaeshi decorated with stenciled doeskin, fusegumi and gilt copper family crests on pierce-carved chrysanthemums and trimmed in fukurin, the mabisashi similarly decorated and mounted with gold and black lacquer kuwagata-dai applied with gilt chrysanthemum scrolls and family crest and supporting gold-lacquer kuwagata and circular maedate; a russet-iron hanbo fitted with a three-lame yodarekake; the do maru decorated with stenciled doeskin on the watagami and munaita and mounted with family crests on piercecarved chrysanthemum scroll, eight sections of five-lame kusazuri, o-sode, shinogote, Etchu haidate, gold-lacquer tsutsugote, boarbristle kegutsu with gilt-leather uppers and gilt metal mounts carved with chrysanthemums, the soles with two layers of gilt leather; with paper saihai and large yoroi-bitsu, the front panel formed as a biwa

With a letter of attestation by Yamagami Hachiro (1902-1980), dated January 1 1958.

\$70,000 - 90,000

#### Provenance

Major-General Takimoto Hidemaro (1892-1962), Akita Prefecture Viscount Yamaguchi Izumi no Kami Hirokuni (1808-1869), ninth head of the Yamaguchi clan and lord of Ushiku Castle, Hitachi Province Yamaguchi Hirokuni was granted leadership of the Yamaguchi clan and stewardship of Ushiku castle from 1829 until 1839, along with the titles Izumi no Kami and Tajima no Kami. He inherited a fief in financial difficulty exacerbated by the *Tenpo Daikikin* (Great Famine) of 1833, which forced him to apply strict measures of austerity.

After retiring from office, he took the tonsure and lived as a monk until his death.

Takimoto Hidemaro was a Major-General in the Japanese Imperial Army.

Yamagami Hachiro was a scholar of Japanese history, famous for his extensive knowledge of Japanese armor. He wrote a number of authoritative books on the subject during the 1940s, including *Nihon katchu-ko* (A Study of Japanese Armor, 1942), and is best known in the West for *Japan's Ancient Armor*, published in English for the Japanese Government Railways Library in 1940.

A hanging scroll written by former owner Takimoto Hidemaro accompanies this armor detailing the reputed provenance of the helmet. While on holiday near the Kawanakajima River, the site of many famous battles between Takeda Shingen (1521-1573) and Uesugi Kenshin (1530-1578), Takimoto, happened to meet an elderly dealer in antiques who showed him this helmet. After long negotiations, Takimoto was able to purchase the helmet and armor. Legend has it that the helmet was worn by Takeda Tenkyu (Shigeyasu), the younger brother of Shingen, who was killed at the battle of Kawanakajima in 1561. He was buried at Kakuso-ji temple (in modern-day Nagano Prefecture), now known as Tenkyu-ji after the name was changed in a ceremony to console the spirit of Shigeyasu. This helmet was reputedly in the collection of Tenkyu-ji temple.







3011 (detail)

## A NEGORO LACQUERED YUMI (LONGBOW)

### Edo period (1615-1868), 17th-18th century

Of laminate construction and lacquered red over black, the undercoat of black lacquer visible in distinctive patterns where the wrapped bindings are slightly raised in relief, the area around the grip wrapped with rattan 79 15/16in (203cm) long

\$5,000 - 7,000

3012

# A NEGORO LACQUER TENMOKUDAI (TEA-BOWL STAND)

Muromachi period (1333-1573), 16th century

Of turned and assembled wood, the spherical stand and convex ring set on a slightly splayed foot and lacquered in typical Negoro style, the red-lacquer surface worn away to reveal in places the black-lacquer undercoat 5 3/4in (14.6cm) diameter; 3 1/4in (8.3cm) high \$2,000 - 3,000

For other stands for teabowls see Miho Museum and Kyoto Shimbun Inc., Shu urushi Negoro: Chusei ni saita hana (Negoro: Efflorescence of Medieval Japanese Lacquerware), Kyoto, 2013, pls. 360, 361, 363.



#### A NEGORO LACQUER KOBAN (FOOTED TRAY)

### Edo period (1615-1868), 17th century

The circular tray with everted rim, supported on a high, slightly splayed foot, lacquered red over a black undercoat

14 1/8in (35.8cm) diameter

\$1,500 - 2,500

Trays of this type were commonly used for serving meals in temples. For similar examples, see Kawada Sadamu (ed.), Negoro, Tokyo, Negoro-ten Jikko linkai (Negoro Exhibition Executive Committee), 2010 (catalog of an exhibition held at the Okura Museum of Art), p.79, no.48 and James C.Y. Watt and others, East Asian Lacquer: The Florence and Herbert Irving Collection, New York, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, 1992, pp.184-185, no.76.

## 3014

#### A NEGORO-STYLE NENJU BAKO (ROSARY BOX)

## Edo period (1615-1868), 18th century

The circular box and cover of turned and assembled wood decorated with concentric rings on the exterior and lacquered with an undercoat of black and covered in red lacquer, the black showing through on the edges, interiors and underside black lacquer 7 1/16in (17.8cm) diameter

\$2,000 - 3,000









3015

## ANONYMOUS SHOTOKU TAISHI

Edo period (1615-1868)

Hanging scroll, ink, color and gilt pigment on silk, depicting Shotoku Taishi as an adolescent standing in gilt brocade monastic robes and holding a censer, unsigned

18 3/4 x 8 5/8in (47.5 x 22cm)

\$3,000 - 4,000

This iconic image represents Shotoku Taishi (572-622) who served as Regent under Empress Suiko and is revered for his role in promoting Buddhism in Japan. Known as *Koyo Taishi* (Filial Prince Regent) or *Jurokusai Shotoku Taishi* (Prince Shotoku at Age 16), it is interpreted as showing Shotoku praying for the recovery of his sick father, Emperor Yomei, or for the victory of his clan, the Soga, over the Mononobe faction which opposed the Buddhist faith. In this aspect, Shotoku was also viewed as the reincarnation of Kannon Bodhisattva and worshiped for his ability to bestow salvation and deliverance from disease and disaster.

3016

## ANONYMOUS GODAI MYO-O (FIVE GREAT WISDOM KINGS) Edo period (1615-1868)

Hanging scroll, ink, color and gold pigment on silk; Fudo Myo-o attended by Kongara Doji and Seitaka Doji, the four corners with Gozanze Myo-o, Gundari Myo-o, Daiitoku Myo-o and Kongoyasha Myo-o, no inscriptions

36 1/4 x 16in (92.1 x 40.4cm)

\$6,000 - 8,000

The Five Myo-o (Bright or Wisdom Kings) inhabit the "Womb Realm" and are organized according to the cardinal directions. Representative of the luminescent wisdom of the Buddha, they are protectors of the Five Wisdom Buddhas.



#### 3017

## ATTRIBUTED TO TOSA MITSUHIRO (ACTIVE C. 1430) **BISHAMONTEN (VAISRAVANA)**

## Muromachi period (1333-1573), 15th century

Hanging scroll, ink, color and gold on silk; the guardian accompanied by his wife Kichijoten and their son, Zennishi doji, unsigned, with an attestation by Yamana Gikai (b.1865), son of the Tosa painter Pamana Tsurayoshi: Bishamonten-zo kenpon chakushoku migi Tosa Gonnokami Mitsuhiro hitsu kanteihitsu Meiji kinoe-tatsu natsu Yamana Gikai 毘沙門天像絹本 着色右土佐権守光弘筆鑑定畢明治甲辰夏山名義海 (Painting of Bishamonten, ink on silk, by Tosa Gonnokami Mitsuhiro, certified by Yamana Gikai, summer of the kinoe-tatsu year of Meiji [1904]) with seal Gikai

32 1/2 x 14 3/4in (82.6 x 37.5cm)

\$10,000 - 15,000



## A GILT-BRONZE MODEL OF TANJOBUTSU (SHAKA AT BIRTH) Hakuho (646-710) or Nara (710-794) period, 7th-8th century

Cast in the form of the newly born Buddha, naked to the waist, his right hand pointing to the heavens and his left pointing to the earth, on a lotus base

7 1/2in (19cm) high

\$10,000 - 15,000

After the Buddha was born from the right side of his mother Maya, he immediately took seven steps in each of the four directions and stated he was the only Venerable One in the heavens and on earth. This event was widely celebrated in early Japanese Buddhist sculpture, the most famous example being a figure in the Todaiji Temple, Nara, dated to the mid-eighth century and

registered as a National Treasure. The Todaiji figure was reputedly used as recently as the 1980s for the annual celebration of the birth of the Buddha on the eighth day of the fourth month, a custom instituted in the year 606 by the pious Empress Suiko. During the celebration, known as *kanbutsu-e*, the figure is typically placed in a flower-decked hut and anointed with hydrangea oil. For another example in the Shōgenji Temple, Aichi Prefecture, usually housed in Nara National Museum, see Ikeda Yoko, "Dozo tanjo Shakabutsu ritsuzo (Shogenji zo) noto (A Study on *The Statue of Sakyamuni at Birth* in the Shougenji Collection," Nagoya Zokei University of Art and Design, Departmental Bulletin Paper, 15 (March 2009), pp. 49-59.





## A GILT-BRONZE KAKEBOTOKE (HANGING FIGURE) OF A SEATED BUDDHA

Heian period (794-1185), 12th century

Seated in a pose of meditation on a lotus pedestal and backed by a circular nimbus, his hands obscured by a cloth falling to the front in rhythmic folds, with traces of the original gilding, now mounted on a black wooden stand

8in (20.2cm) height of figure; 10 1/4in (26cm) height overall

\$6,000 - 8,000

3020

### A GILT-BRONZE KONGOREI (RITUAL BELL) Kamakura period (1185-1333), 13th-14th century

Of the gokorei type with five prongs cast to the top, the bell surface with raised horizontal bands below a lotus pedestal for the handle centered by kimoku (demons' eyes) bracketed by bands of lotus petals, traces of original gilt 7in (17.8cm) high

\$6,000 - 8,000

For a similar example, see Nezu Institute of Fine Arts, Nezu bijutsukan zohin sen: Bukkyo bijutsu/ Catalog of Selected Masterpieces from the Nezu Collections, Objects of Religious Art, Tokyo: 2001, no. 163.

3021

## A SMALL BRONZE FUSATSU SUIBYO (RITUAL WATER PITCHER) Kamakura period (1185-1333),

13th century

With a dished rim tapering to a tall neck and ovoid body cast with five raised horizontal bands, the curved spout issuing from a lotus-form medallion, all raised on a slightly flared ring foot

With an unmarked wood storage box 7in (17.8cm) high

\$3,000 - 4,000

For a similar example at the Todaiji temple complex in Nara, see Ishida Mosaku, Bukkyo bijutsu no kihon (Foundations of Buddhist Art), Tokyo, Tokyo Bijutsu, 1967, pp.66-67 and for another example in Nara National Museum, see http://www.narahaku.go.jp/ collection/d-790-0-1.html



# AN UNUSUAL KAKEBOTOKE (BRONZE AND WOOD VOTIVE PANEL) WITH DAITOKU MYO-O (YAMANTAKA)

#### Kamakura-Nanbokucho period (1138-1392), 14th century

The deity cast in bronze seated on a crouching water buffalo and with two of his hands in a *mudra*, the others held aloft to hold various weapons (now lost), mounted on a circular panel flanked by two vases containing lotus flowers and covered by a *tengai* (jewelled canopy), the gilt-bronze ground carved with wave patterns and applied with demon masks with traces of red pigment, *vajra* and lotus flowers; fitted with a suspension ring 13in (33cm) diameter

\$12,000 - 18,000

The six-headed, six-legged Daiitoku Myo-o ("The Wisdom King of Great Awe-inspiring Power"), seated on a black buffalo, was revered in Japan as a symbol of the true believer's power to triumph over death. Originally worshiped along with the other four Wisdom Kings, by the twelfth century Daiitoku was the focus of both state and private ritual and images of him abound, both in sculpture and in painting, of which the most famous is in the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston (inv. no. 20.750). A dated example (1348) of a Daiitoku Myo-o in the *kakebotoke* ("hanging Buddha") format is in Tokyo National Museum (inv. no. 1020), see Machida Shiritsu Hakubutsukan (Machida City Museum), *Musashi no kinko (Metalwork in the Tokyo Region)*, 1995.

3023

#### A BUDDHA HEAD Nara period (710-794)

Modeled in dry lacquer as the head of a Buddha with elongated ear lobes and full cheeks above a neck bearing three folds, the combed hair piled on top of the head in a tall topknot, the surface with traces of original pigment and gilt with red lacquer undercoat; set on a box wood stand

12 7/8in (32.8cm) high (not including stand) **\$8,000 - 10,000** 



3024

## A POLYCHROME WOOD FIGURE OF FUDO MYO-O (ACHALA) Kamakura-Nanbokucho period (1138-1392), 14th century

The figure shown seated cross-legged modeled with the soft figure of a youth but with a fierce facial expression with the upper teeth and fangs biting the lower lip, the hair swept to one side in a braid down the left shoulder, a kurikara (Buddhist sword) held in the right hand and and a weighted rope in the left, the robes draped around his waist and over the left shoulder decorated with floral roundels, with traces original pigment and gilt, the eyes inlaid in crystal; with gilt-metal jewelry; set on a ten-step base painted with rinpo (Wheel of the Buddhist Law) and flowering vines, gilt-bronze hardware, a large separately carved flame nimbus emanating from the rear, all possibly original to the sculpture

11 3/8in (28.8cm) height of figure 31 1/8in (79cm) height overall

\$20,000 - 30,000

For a similar figure of Fudo Myo-o by the hand of Kaikei in the collection of Shoju-in temple, Kyoto, see Hiromitsu Washizuka, Myoo: okori to itsukushimi no hotoke (Myo-o: Buddhist Deities of Wrath and Love), Nara National Museum, 2000, pl. 24; and another in the Burke Collection, see Miyeko Murase, Bridge of Dreams, The Mary Griggs Burke Collection of Japanese Art, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, no. 22, pp. 75 & 76.





3025 (detail)

## A WOODEN FIGURE OF IDATEN (SKANDA) Kamakura period (1185-1333), 13th century

Of joined block construction carved in a dynamic pose mid-stride, the figure shown wearing Chinese-style armor and headdress with traces of original polychrome pigment and ink notations on the exposed wood; with a fitted wood stand

13 1/2in (34cm) high

\$10,000 - 15,000

Called Skanda in Sanskrit, Idaten is a Buddhist deity who controls the eastern, western and southern quarters and whose functions include protecting the Buddhist law and driving out sickness from small children. Because of an old story that he once succeeded in catching a demon that had run away with a sacred reliquary he became a metaphor for fleetness of foot.

3026

# A PAIR OF LARGE POLYCHROME WOOD GUARDIAN FIGURES Muromachi period (1336-1573), 15th-16th century

Carved in yosegi-zukuri (joined-block) construction) as the guardians Tamonten and Zochoten, two of the Shitenno (Four Heavenly Kings), each shown in Chinese-style armor in dynamic postures holding their respective attributes and standing atop a subdued demon, both painted in bright pigments and gilt over gesso and with inlaid crystal eyes

42in (106.7cm) high (including base)

\$35,000 - 45,000

The Shitenno whose origins are in Hindu traditions, were adopted into the Buddhist pantheon as subjugators of Buddha's enemies. With their transmission into East Asian Buddhist teachings, their appearance took on a martial quality and their iconography included armor, weapons and fearsome expressions. In temple halls where sculptural arrangements were set up to emulate Sumeru, the Buddhist cosmic mountain, the Shitenno were placed at the four corners surrounding and protecting the central Buddhist sculptures in the configuration. Tamonten guards the north, while Zochoten guards the south. In Japan, the status of the Shitenno was further elevated to include protection of the nation.







3026 (details)



3027 (side view)



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#### 3027

#### A WOOD FIGURE OF A BODHISATTVA By Enku (1632-1695)

Carved in the *natabori* style from a single block of paulownia wood, the deity's hands held to the front and drapery fanning out to either side in finlike projections, with a later natural wood base With an unmarked wood storage box 17 7/8in (45.5cm) height of figure; 20 1/4in (51.5cm) height overall

\$10,000 - 15,000

Born in present-day Gifu Prefecture to a farming family, Enku studied esoteric Buddhism and attained priestly status before embarking on a lifetime of pilgrimage, visiting temples and sacred sites throughout Japan and following the austere code of a shugenja (ascetic mountain-dwelling monk). The Kinsei kijinden, a biographical anthology compiled in 1788, attributes to Enku all sorts of miraculous deeds, including one occasion on which he carved 1,000 Buddha images of Buddhas to save a village from being taken over by a local pond god, achieving his goal by throwing all the figures into the water (see Grisha F. Dotzenko, Enku: Master Carver, Tokyo, Kodansha International, 1976, pp. 11-12). Legend has it that Enku produced some 120,000 sculptures; whatever the true total it is certain that many of his carvings were intended as amulets to ward off evil or cure diseases. For this reason they often represent popular compassionate deities such as the bodhisattva Kannon, as with the present lot. They are generally very simple, done in few strokes with the ax cuts left visible and highlighting the natural characteristics of the wood.

For comparable published figures of bodhisattavas by Enku, see Goto Hideo, *Edo no kyubisuto Enku* (Enku: Edo Cubist), Tokyo, Shogakukan, 1980, pp. 47-48, a figure in the Amidadera, Seki City, Gifu Prefecture; Dotzenko, *Enku: Master Carver* (see above), cat. no. 16, a figure of Sho Kannon; Nagai Shin'ichi and Maruyama Naokazu, *Enku to Mokujiki* (Enku and Mokujiki), Tokyo, Kodansha, 1978, pls. 14, 24, figures of Sho Kannon in the Kannonji, Aichi Prefecture.

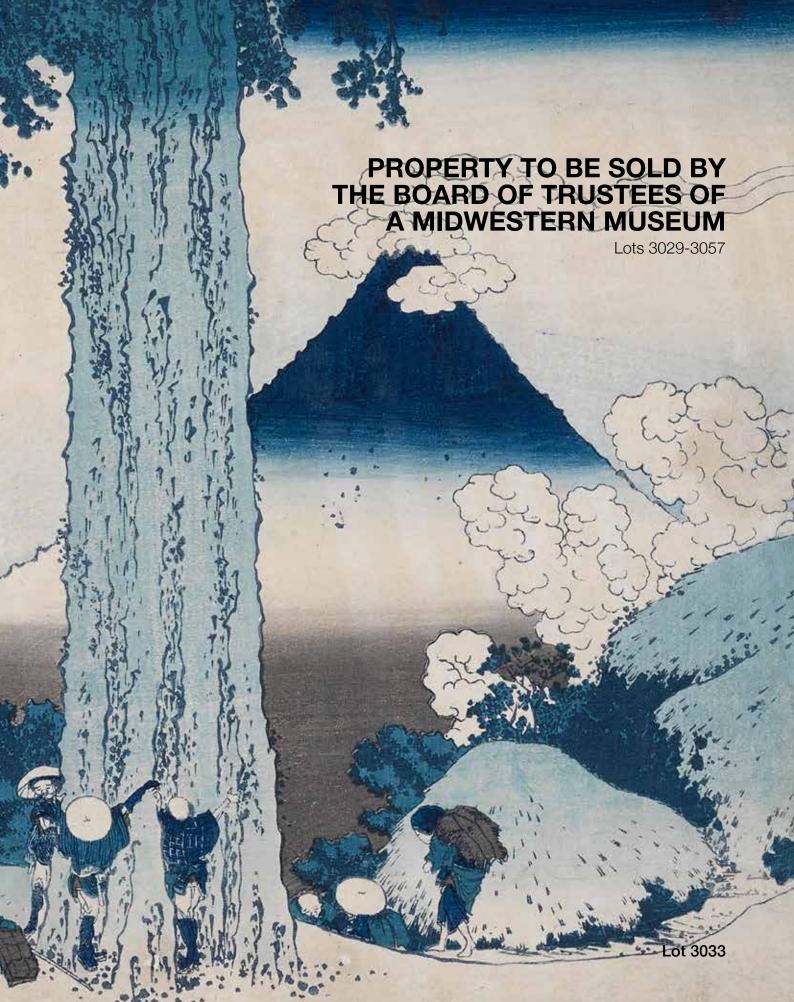
#### 3028

#### A ZUSHI (PORTABLE SHRINE) Edo period (1615-1868), early 19th century

The black lacquer case fitted with double doors, opening to reveal a gilt-wood figure of Monju Bosatsu holding a scepter and seated in royal-ease pose on his lion vehicle, backed with an elaborate nimbus, the transom painted with floral scrolls, gilt-brass mounts carved with vines

9 1/8in (23.2cm) high overall

\$2,000 - 3,000







#### A GOLD-LACQUER FIGURE OF **AMIDA BUDDHA**

## Edo period (1615-1868), 19th century

Shown seated cross legged with his hands in the gesture of meditation, his flowing robes decorated with horin, (wheels of the Buddhist law), lotus blossoms, scrolling vines and geometric patterns in black lacquer, eyes and urna inlaid in glass, the head surrounded by a similarly decorated halo; seated on a doublelotus pedestal; with a brocade covered identification slip and later associated stand 29in (73.7cm) high (overall including lotus base); 14 3/4in (37.4cm) high (the figure) \$2,000 - 3,000

#### Provenance

Purchased Yamanaka & Company, Kyoto, by repute.

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#### SUZUKI HARUNOBU (1724-1770) Three woodblock prints

Chuban tate-e (one partial); the first known as A Water Vendor (third state), after 1765, signed Harunobu; the second from the series Mu Tamagawa (Six Jewel Rivers), entitled Toi no Tamagawa, Settsu no meisho (The Cloth-fulling Jewel River, a Famous Place in Settsu Province), 1766-67, signed Suzuki Harunobu ga; and a partial work featuring two courtesans reading a letter, c. 1767-8, signed Harunobu - good impressions, poor color and condition [3] 10 3/4 x 8 1/8in (27.5 x 20.8cm) 10 3/4 x 8in (27.4 x 20.5cm)

7 1/2 x 8in (19 x 20.4cm)

\$800 - 1,200

For other impressions, see David Waterhouse, The Harunobu Decade, Leiden, Hotei, 2013, #167 Toi no Tamagawa (The Crystal River for Cloth-Beating), Jack Hillier, Suzuki Harunobu: An Exhibition, Philadelphia Museum of Art, 1970, p. 47, pl. 11 (Water Vendor) and p. 161, pl. 64 (Reading a Letter).

3031

### SUZUKI HARUNOBU (1724-1770) One erotic woodblock print

Chuban yoko-e; from the series Furyu enshoku Mane'emon (Elegant Amorous Mane'emon), entitled Mane'emon yon ukiyo (Mane'emon [no.] four), c. 1768, published by Nishimuraya Yohachi - very good impression, good color, minor wrinkles and soiling, reverse edges with traces of previous mounting, archival tape to top reverse 8 1/8 x 11in (20.6 x 28in)

\$1,000 - 1,500

For another impression, together with the full series of Furyu enshoku Mane'emon, see Gian Carlo Calza, Poem of the Pillow and Other Stories by Utamaro, Hokusai, Kuniyoshi and Other Artists of the Floating World, London & New York, Phaidon, 2010, pp. 152-171. An explanation of the scene is published in Inge Klompmakers, Japanese Erotic Prints: Shunga by Harunobu and Koryusai, Leiden, 2001, pp.60-61, no. B.4.

#### Provenance

Richard P. Gale collection





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## 3032

## KATSUSHIKA HOKUSAI (1760-1849) One woodblock print

Oban yoko-e; from the series Fugaku sanjurokkei (36 Views of Mount Fuji), entitled Sanka haku-u (Rainstorm beneath the Summit), 1831-34, signed Hokusai litsu hitsu, published by Nishimuraya Yohachi (lacking seals) - good-fair impression, fair color, toned, some staining, traces of previous mounting to reverse edges 10 1/4 x 15 1/5in (26.4 x 38.8cm) \$2,000 - 3,000



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## KATSUSHIKA HOKUSAI (1760-1849) One woodblock print

Oban yoko-e; from the series Fugaku sanjurokkei (36 Views of Mount Fuji), entitled Koshu Mishima goe (Mishima Pass in Kai Province), 1831-34, signed Saki no Hokusai litsu hitsu, published by Nishimuraya Yohachi (lacking seals) - good impression (blue outline), blue and gray coloration, minor soiling, center crease, some patches (along top and center right edge), archival tape to reverse top edge

9 7/8 x 14 7/8in (25 x 37.8cm)

\$3,000 - 5,000

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#### KATSUSHIKA HOKUSAI (1760-1849) One woodblock print

Oban yoko-e; from the series Fugaku sanjurokkei (36 Views of Mount Fuji), entitled Shimo-Meguro (Lower Meguro), 1831-34, signed Saki no Hokusai litsu hitsu, lower left with kiwame censor and publisher Nishimuraya Yohachi (Eijudo) seals - good impression and color, slightly faded and toned, some soiling, center crease, wormage, backed

9 1/2 x 14 1/2in (24.9 x 36.8cm)

\$1,000 - 2,000

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## KATSUSHIKA HOKUSAI (1760-1849) One woodblock print

Oban yoko-e; from the series Fugaku sanjurokkei (36 Views of Mount Fuji), entitled Edo Nihon-bashi (Nihonbashi Bridge in Edo), 1831-34, signed Saki no Hokusai litsu hitsu, published by Nishimuraya Yohachi (Eijudo) (lacking seals) - good impression and color, center crease, archival tape to reverse top, backed

9 7/8 x 14 5/8in (25.1 x 37.2cm)

\$2,000 - 4,000

#### KATSUSHIKA HOKUSAI (1760-1849) One woodblock print

Oban yoko-e; from the series Fugaku sanjurokkei (36 Views of Mount Fuji), entitled Edo Nihon-bashi (Nihonbashi Bridge in Edo), 1831-34, signed Saki no Hokusai litsu hitsu, published by Nishimuraya Yohachi (Eijudo) (lacking seals) - late impression, some fading and soiling, a few small patches, rubbed (mainly to reverse), archival tape to reverse top 10 1/4 x 15 1/8in (26.2 x 38.6cm)

\$1,000 - 1,500

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#### KEISEI EISEN (1790-1848) One woodblock print

From the series *Kisokaido rokujukyu tsugi* (The 69 Stations of the Kisokaido Road), here called *Kisoji no eki* (The Stations of the Kiso Road), entitled *Nojiri Inagawa-bashi enbo* (Distant View of the Bridge on the Ina River at Nojiri) (#41), 1835-38, with two seal of the publisher Takenouchi Magohachi (Hoeido) - good impression and color, very minor wormage, very minor paper losses along the edges, archival tape to reverse top, pencil notation to reverse bottom, otherwise good condition 9 1/2 x 14 3/8in (24.1 x 36.5cm)

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\$800 - 1,200

#### KATSUSHIKA HOKUSAI (1760-1849) One woodblock print

Oban yoko-e; from the series Hyakunin isshu uba ga etoki (100 Poems Explained by the Nurse), entitled Minamoto no Muneyuki Ason (d.939), 1835-36, signed Saki no Hokusai manji, with kiwame censor and publisher Iseya Sanjiro (Eijudo) seals - good impression and color, top right corner patched, slightly irregular top edge, archival tape to top reverse 9 7/8 x 14 1/4in (25 x 36.3cm)

\$2,000 - 4,000

The poem by Minamoto no Muneyuki in the cartouche reads:

Yama-zato wa/ fuyu zo sabishisa/ masarikeru/ hito-me mo kusa mo/ karenu to omoeba (In the mountain village/ it is in winter that my loneliness/ increases most / when I think how both have dried up/ the grasses and people's visits) [translation by Joshua S. Mostow, Pictures of the Heart: The Hyakunin Isshu in Word and Image, Honolulu, University of Hawai'i Press, 1996, p. 226]



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#### KATSUSHIKA HOKUSAI (1760-1849) One woodblock print

Oban yoko-e; from the series Hyakunin isshu uba ga etoki (100 Poems Explained by the Nurse), entitled Kanke (Sugawara no Michizane, 844-903), 1835-36, signed Saki no Hokusai manji, with kiwame censor and publisher Iseya Sanjiro (Eijudo) seals - good impression and color, some wormage, slightly toned, minor staining, slightly irregular bottom margin 10 1/8 x 14 3/4in (25.9 x 37.4cm)

\$1,000 - 1,500

Sugawara no Michizane's poem in the cartouche reads:

Kono tabi wa/ nusa mo toriaezu/ tamukeyama/ momiji no nishiki/ kami no mani-mani (This time around/ I couldn't even bring sacred streamers/ - Offering Hill -/ but if this brocade of autumn leaves/ is to the god's liking...) [translation by Joshua S. Mostow, Pictures of the Heart: The Hyakunin Isshu in Word and Image, Honolulu, University of Hawai'i Press, 1996, p. 213]

#### 3040

#### UTAGAWA HIROSHIGE (1797-1858) Six woodblock prints

Oban yoko-e; each from the series Kisokaido rokujukyu tsugi (The 69 Stations of the Kisokaido Road), Odai (#22), Nagakubo (#28), Agematsu (#39), Suhara (#40), Ota (#52) and Takamiya (#65), 1835-38, each signed Hiroshige ga, most with kiwame censor and publisher Takenouchi Magohachi seals - generally good impressions and color, varying condition 9-10 1/8 x 14-14 7/8in (22.8-25.8 x 35.6-38cm) \$1,000 - 1,500

3041

### **UTAGAWA HIROSHIGE (1797-1858)** Six woodblock prints

Each signed Hiroshige ga, comprising four oban yoko-e: Mitsuke Tenryugawa-zu (#29) from the Hoeido Tokaido, 1833-4, with partial kiwame censor and publisher seal; two prints from a Kyoto meisho series published circa 1834, entitled Gion-sha setchu and Shimabara deguchi no yanagi; and one print entitled Soshu Enoshima no zu; together with two aiban yoko-e from the Gyosho Tokaido series, each of Kameyama (#47), 1841-44, published by Ezakiya - good to fair impressions Varving sizes

\$1,000 - 1,500

#### **HASHIGUCHI GOYO (1880-1921)** One woodblock print

Entitled Snow on Mt. Ibuki, dated January, 1920, signed Govo ga, cartouche to the lower left reads Taisho kanoe saru toshi (Taisho, kanoe saru year [1920]), lower right with circular publisher seal of Watanabe Shozaburo (for the distribution only), reverse with edition notation 21/100 above a circular shop seal - very good impression and color, minor staining on upper right and right margin edges, traces of adhesive residue on reverse top corners, attached to mat with archival tape, reverse bottom margin with museum pencil notation, otherwise very good condition 10 x 15 7/8in (25.5 x 40.2cm)

\$800 - 1,200

Another impression and discussion of this print is published in Amy Reigle Stephens, Hiromi Okamoto and others, The New Wave: Twentieth-Century Japanese Prints from the Robert O. Muller Collection, London and Leiden, Bamboo and Hotei, 1993 p. 128, fig. 129.

Another impression of this print is published in Andreas Marks, Chiaki Ajioka and others, Seven Master: 20th-century Japanese woodblock prints form the Wells Collection, Minneapolis, Minnesota: Minneapolis Institute of Arts, 2015, p. 43, no. 5.

#### 3043

#### ITO SHINSUI (1898-1972) One woodblock print

Entitled Rainy Season, dated November, 1919, signed Shinsui ga, lower left with circular publisher seal of Watanabe Shozaburo - very good impression and color, attached to mat with archival tape, reverse with ink and pencil notation, otherwise very good condition 10 x 13 7/8in (25.2 x 35cm)

\$800 - 1,200

Another impression of this print is published in Andreas Marks, Chiaki Ajioka and others, Seven Master: 20th-century Japanese woodblock prints form the Wells Collection, Minneapolis, Minnesota: Minneapolis Institute of Arts, 2015, p. 110, no. 55.

#### 3044

#### **KAWASE HASUI (1883-1957)** One woodblock print

Entitled Samidare (Arakawa) (Early summer rain, Arakawa), dated June 1932, signed Hasui, left margin with copyright and publisher notation of Doi Sadaichi followed by notation of the carver Fujimura Kanezo and printer Matsushita Shigeru/Tamotsu – very good impression and color, pencil notation to reverse, otherwise very good condition 15 5/8 x 10 3/8in (40.2 x 26.4cm)

\$800 - 1,200

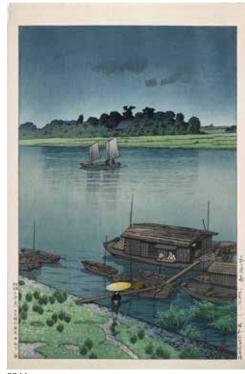
For another impression of this print, see Kendall Brown and Amy Reigle Newland, Kawase Hasui: The Complete Woodblock Prints, Amsterdam, Hotei, 2008, p. 432, no. 283.



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#### ITO SHINSUI (1898-1972) One woodblock print

Entitled Kuroeri (Black neckband), dated spring 1928, signed Shinsui ga, with oval artist's seal Shinsui, edition stamp on reverse reads Nuhyaku mai kagiri zeppan, Dai hachiju vonban (No. 84 of a limited edition of 200) very good impression and color, slight wrinkle (left side, center), traces of archival mounting tape to reverse and museum pencil notation, otherwise very good state

15 5/8 x 10 7/8in (39.8 x 27.6cm)

\$1,000 - 1,500

For another impression, see Shinii Hamanaka and Amy Reigle Newland, The Female Image: 20th Century Prints of Japanese Beauties. Amsterdam, Hotei, 2000, p. 60, fig. 51.

Another impression of this print is published in Andreas Marks. Chiaki Aiioka and others. Seven Master: 20th-century Japanese woodblock prints form the Wells Collection. Minneapolis, Minnesota: Minneapolis Institute of Arts, 2015, p. 121, no. 70.

3046

#### ITO SHINSUI (1898-1972) One woodblock print

From the series Gendai bijinsha dainishu (Second collection of modern beauties), entitled Maiko (apprentice geisha in Kvoto). dated July 5, 1932, signed Shinsui saku, with rectangular artist's seal Shinsui, lower left with circular publisher seal of Watanabe Shozaburo (6mm), left margin with publisher's copyright seal (1929-1942), edition stamp on reverse reads Nihyaku goju mai zeppan, dai nihyaku yoniu kyuban (No. 249 of a limited edition of 250) followed by publisher's stamp of Watanabe - very good impression and color, traces of archival mounting tape to reverse and museum pencil notation, otherwise very good state 17 1/8 x 11in (43.5 x 27.8cm)

\$800 - 1,200

For another impression, see Shinji Hamanaka and Amy Reigle Newland, The Female Image: 20th Century Prints of Japanese Beauties, Amsterdam, Hotei, 2000, p. 71, fig. 72.

Another impression of this print is published in Andreas Marks, Chiaki Ajioka and others, Seven Master: 20th-century Japanese woodblock prints form the Wells Collection, Minneapolis, Minnesota: Minneapolis Institute of Arts, 2015, p. 127, no. 80.

3047

#### **TORII KOTONDO (1900-1976)** One woodblock print

Entitled Nagajuban (Long undergarment) [embossed in bottom margin], dated July 1929, signed Kotondo ga, sealed Kotondo, left margin with embossed joint publishers' seal of Sakai and Kawaguchi, edition label to reverse reads Gaikoku iki nihyaku mai kagiri zeppan, dai hayaku nijuniban (No. 122 of limited edition of 200 for export) and signed in ink Torii Kotondo, applied with a circular red approval seal reading Kotondo - very good impression and color, slightly toned, very minor foxing, archival tape to reverse top margin, pencil notation to reverse bottom margin, otherwise very good condition 18 3/8 x 11 5/8in (46.8 x 29.5cm)

\$1,500 - 2,500

For another impression, see Shinji Hamanaka and Amy Reigle Newland. The Female Image: 20th Century Prints of Japanese Beauties, Amsterdam, Hotei, 2000, p. 127, fig. 169-1.

Another impression of this print is published in Andreas Marks. Chiaki Aiioka and others. Seven Master: 20th-century Japanese woodblock prints form the Wells Collection, Minneapolis, Minnesota: Minneapolis Institute of Arts, 2015, p. 190, no. 133.

#### **YAMAKAWA SHUHO (1898-1944)** One woodblock print

From the series Fujo yondai (Women in four settings) entitled Tasogare (Twilight), dated April 1928, signed Shuho followed by the artist's maple-leaf seal, published by Bijutsusha - very good impression and color, very minor wrinkles, archival mounting tape to reverse top corners, museum pencil notation, otherwise very good condition 14 7/8 x 10 3/8in (37.7 x 26.3cm)

\$500 - 700

For other impressions, see Shinji Hamanaka and Amy Reigle Newland, The Female Image: 20th Century Prints of Japanese Beauties, Amsterdam, Hotei, 2000, p. 117, fig. 155, and Amy Reigle Stephens, Hiromi Okamoto and others, The New Wave: Twentieth-Century Japanese Prints from the Robert O. Muller Collection, London and Leiden, Bamboo and Hotei, 1993, p. 179, fig. 227.

Another impression of this print is published in Andreas Marks, Chiaki Ajioka and others, Seven Master: 20th-century Japanese woodblock prints form the Wells Collection, Minneapolis, Minnesota: Minneapolis Institute of Arts, 2015, p. 183, no. 132.

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#### **TORII KOTONDO (1900-1976)** One woodblock print

Entitled Ame (Rain) [embossed in bottom margin], dated October 1929, signed Kotondo ga, sealed Kotondo, left margin with embossed joint publishers' seal of Sakai and Kawaguchi, edition label to reverse reads Gaikoku iki nihyaku mai kagiri zeppan, dai hachiju rokuban (No. 86 of limited edition of 200 for export) and signed in ink Torii Kotondo, applied with a circular red seal reading Kotondo - very good impression and color, three corners with minor wrinkles, slightly toned, pencil notation to reverse bottom margin, otherwise very good condition 18 1/8 x 11 3/4in (46.1 x 29.9cm)

\$1,000 - 1,500

For other impressions, see Shinji Hamanaka and Amy Reigle Newland, The Female Image: 20th Century Prints of Japanese Beauties. Amsterdam, Hotei, 2000, p. 129, fig. 173. and Amy Reigle Stephens, Hiromi Okamoto and others. The New Wave: Twentieth-Century Japanese Prints from the Robert O. Muller Collection, London and Leiden, Bamboo and Hotei, 1993, p. 199, fig. 265.

Another impression of this print is published in Andreas Marks. Chiaki Aiioka and others. Seven Master: 20th-century Japanese woodblock prints form the Wells Collection, Minneapolis, Minnesota: Minneapolis Institute of Arts, 2015, p. 192, no. 135.

### **TORII KOTONDO (1900-1976)** One woodblock print

Entitled Yuge (Vapor) [embossed in bottom margin], dated October 1929, signed Kotondo ga, sealed Kotondo, left margin with embossed joint publishers' seal of Sakai and Kawaguchi, edition label to reverse reads Gaikoku iki nihyaku mai kagiri zeppan, dai hyaku nijusan ban (No. 123 of limited edition of 200 for export) and signed in ink Torii Kotondo, applied with a circular red approval seal Kotondo - very good impression and color, slightly toned, minor foxing, archival tape to reverse top, pencil notation to reverse bottom margin, otherwise very good condition 18 1/8 x 11 3/4in (46.2 x 29.8cm)

\$1,500 - 2,500

For other impressions, see Shinji Hamanaka and Amy Reigle Newland, The Female Image: 20th Century Prints of Japanese Beauties, Amsterdam, Hotei, 2000, p, 128, fig. 171, and Amy Reigle Stephens, Hiromi Okamoto and others, The New Wave: Twentieth-Century Japanese Prints from the Robert O. Muller Collection, London and Leiden, Bamboo and Hotei, 1993, p. 198, fig. 263.

Another impression of this print is published in Andreas Marks, Chiaki Ajioka and others, Seven Master: 20th-century Japanese woodblock prints form the Wells Collection, Minneapolis, Minnesota: Minneapolis Institute of Arts, 2015, p. 196, no.139.







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#### TORII KOTONDO (1900-1976) One woodblock print

Entitled Kamisuki (Combing hair) [embossed in the bottom margin], dated October 1929, signed Kotondo saku, sealed Kotondo, left margin with notation of carver Ito and printer Komatsu [Wasankichi] followed by copyright notation, right margin with small oval publisher cartouche of Kawaguchi, embossed edition notation to reverse reads Sanbyaku mai kagiri zeppan, dai hyakujusan [in ink] ban (No. 113 of limited edition of 300) and stamped Made in Japan - very good impression and color, archival tape and traces of previous mounting tape to reverse top corners, pencil notation to reverse bottom margin, otherwise very good condition

18 1/8 x 11 7/8in (46.2 x 30.1cm)

\$2,000 - 4,000

For other impressions, see Shinji Hamanaka and Amy Reigle Newland, *The Female Image: 20th Century Prints of Japanese Beauties*, Amsterdam, Hotei, 2000, p, 128, fig. 170, and Amy Reigle Stephens, Hiromi Okamoto and others, *The New Wave: Twentieth-Century Japanese Prints from the Robert O. Muller Collection*, London and Leiden, Bamboo and Hotei, 1993, p. 199, fig. 264.

Another impression of this print is published in Andreas Marks, Chiaki Ajioka and others, Seven Master: 20th-century Japanese woodblock prints form the Wells Collection, Minneapolis, Minnesota: Minneapolis Institute of Arts, 2015, p. 191, no. 134.

#### 3052

### OHARA KOSON (SHOSON) (1877-1945) One woodblock print

Entitled Snow on Willow Bridge (Yanagibashi), 1927, signed and sealed Shoson, right margin with copyright and publisher cartouche of Watanabe Shozaburo (c. 1927-1932) - very good impression and color, archival tape to reverse margin, pencil notation to reverse, otherwise very good condition

15 1/8 x 10 1/8in (38.5 x 25.8cm)

\$1,000 - 1,500

For another impression of this print, see Amy Reigle Newland, *Crows, Cranes and Camellias: The Natural World of Ohara Koson 1877-1945*, Leiden, Hotei, 2001, p.152, pl. 166 and p. 202, no. S44.3.



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## OHARA KOSON (SHOSON) (1877-1945)

#### One woodblock print

Entitled Two White Cockatoo on Red Bar, 1940s, signed and sealed Hoson, the left margin printed with carver Ito and printer Komatsu followed by copyright notation, the right margin with small oval publisher cartouche of Kawaguchi - very good impression and color, traces of archival tape to reverse margin, pencil notation to reverse, otherwise very good condition

14 5/8 x 10 5/8in (37.1 x 27.3cm)

### \$500 - 700

For a variant impression of this print, see Amy Reigle Newland, Crows, Cranes and Camellias: The Natural World of Ohara Koson 1877-1945, Leiden, Hotei, 2001, p. 203, no. H36.1.

#### 3054

## YOSHIDA HIROSHI (1876-1950)

#### One woodblock print

From the series Dobutsuen (At the Zoological Garden), entitled Obatan omu (Obatan Parrot), dated 1926, signed in ink Yoshida, sealed Hiroshi, the left margin with jizuri mark - very good impression and color, pencil notation to reverse bottom, otherwise very good condition 16 7/8 x 10 3/4in (43 x 27.3cm)

\$1,000 - 1,500

For another impression of this print, see Tadao Ogura and others, Yoshida Hiroshi zen mokuhanga shu (The Complete Woodblock Prints of Yoshida Hiroshi), second edition, Tokyo, Abe Shuppan, 1991, no.72.



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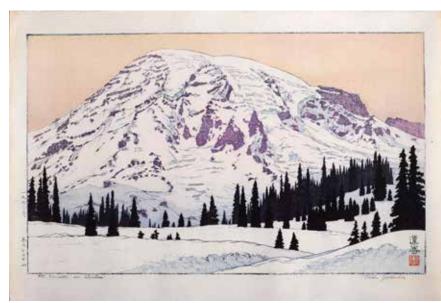
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#### YOSHIDA HIROSHI (1876-1950) Three woodblock prints

Each from the series *Fuji jukkei* (Ten Views of Fuji), entitled *Yoshida mura* (Fuji from Yoshida), dated 1926; *Okitsu* (Fuji from Okitsu) and *Musashino* (Fuji from Musashino), both dated 1928, each signed *Yoshida* in ink, sealed *Hiroshi* and with the *jizuri* mark -very good impressions and color, each with pencil notation to reverse bottom, the first with archival tape to reverse, the third with tape residue and archival tape to reverse top margin, otherwise very good condition 10 3/4 x 16 1/8in (27.5 x 40.8cm) 10 5/8 x 16 1/2in (27.1 x 42.1cm) 10 3/4 x 16 1/8in (27.2 x 41cm) \$1,200 - 1,800

For other impressions of these prints, see *The Complete Woodblock Prints of Yoshida Hiroshi*, Tokyo, 1991, nos. 49, 55 and 56.

#### 3056

#### YOSHIDA HIROSHI (1876-1950) One woodblock print

From the series *Nippon Aruposu junidai* (Twelve Scenes in the Japanese Alps), entitled *Tateyama Betsuzan*, dated 1926, signed in ink *Yoshida*, sealed *Hiroshi*, right margin with jizuri mark - very good impression and color, archival tape to reverse top and pencil notation to reverse bottom, otherwise very good condition 10 3/8 x 15 5/8in (26.3 x 39.8cm) \$800 - 1,200

For another impression of this print, see

The Complete Woodblock Prints of Yoshida Hiroshi, Tokyo, 1991, no. 33.

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## YOSHIDA FAMILY (20TH CENTURY)

Seven woodblock prints

**HIROSHI YOSHIDA** (1876-1950)

Fuji from Musashino/Mushashino, 1928, signed Yoshida, sealed Hiroshi, with pencil signature and jizuri mark;

**FUJIO YOSHIDA** (1887-1987)

'Myga', n.d., sealed Momozono, signed Fujio Yoshida in pencil;

#### **TOSHI YOSHIDA** (1911-1995)

Buncho, 1927, signed in pencil, with jizuri mark, Half Moon Bridge/Taikobachi, 1941, signed/sealed Toshi, with pencil signature, and Mt. Rainier in Winter/Fuyu no Reniya-yama, 1972, signed/sealed Toshi, with pencil signature; KISO YOSHIDA (1919-2005)

Moon and Plum Tree/Tsuki to ume], 1970, signed/sealed Kiso, with pencil signature Kiso Yoshida and Wave and Moon, 1987, sealed Kiso, with pencil signature – generally very

Kiso, with pencil signature – generally very good impression, color and condition Varying sizes

\$1,200 - 1,800



#### **OTHER PROPERTIES**

3058

#### **SUZUKI HARUNOBU (1724-1770)**

#### One woodblock print

Chuban tate-e; from a series illustrating poems by the Sanjurokkasen (36 Immortal Poets), the poem by Ki no Tsurayuki (868-946), signed Harunobu - very good impression, some fading 11 1/4 x 8 1/2in (28.5 x 21.6cm)

\$10,000 - 15,000

The poem by Ki no Tsurayuki (Shinsen waka, compiled 935, no. 81):

Sakura chiru/ ko no shitakaze wa/ samukarade/ sora ni shirarenu/ yuki zo furikeru (No chill in the wind/ blowing under cherry trees/ where blossoms scatter - / yet we see a fall of snow/ unknown to the firmament) [translation by Helen Craig McCullough, Kokin Wakashu: The First Imperial Anthology of Japanese Poetry, With Tosa Nikki and Shinsen Waka, Stanford, Stanford University Press, 1985, p. 310]

For an extensive discussion of this series and another impression of this print, see David Waterhouse, The Harunobu Decade, Leiden, Hotei, 2013, vol. 1, pp. 135-140 (text) and vol. 2, no. 195 (illustration).



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### PROPERTY FROM THE COLLECTION OF HERBERT EVANS AND MIRIAM SIMPSON

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#### **KUBOTA SHUNMAN (1757-1820)**

#### Three surimono

The first two *koban yoko-e*, one entitled *Koto*, a night scene with three aristocratic women, the other of a courtier spying on two women with a bird cage, the poem beginning *Hoshun tori* (Bird heralding spring), sealed *Shunman*; the last a *koban tate-e* of figures boating, signed, with two seals - generally very good impressions, good color, minor wrinkles and soiling, the second foxed, two with glassine hinges to the reverse top 5 1/4 x 7 3/8in (13.4 x 18.9cm) 5 5/8 x 7 7/8in (14.3 x 20.2cm) 7 1/4 x 6in (18.4 x 15.3cm) \$2,000 - 3,000

3060

#### RYURYUKYO SHINSAI (ACT. 1799-1823) Four surimono

All signed *Shinsai*, comprising two *koban yoko-e*: an interior scene with two women, from the series *Kasen-awase*, 1809, and a writing set below two *waka* poems; and two *shikishiban*: one portraying a woman and child with toy, c.1810, the other of two cranes, pine and prunus - generally good impressions and color, some soiling, minor staining 5 1/4 x 7 1/4in (13.8.3cm) 5 1/8 x 6 7/8in (13.1 x 17.7cm) 7 5/8 x 7 3/8in (19.5 x 18.8cm) 8 1/4 x 7 1/8in (20.9 x 18.2cm)

\$1,000 - 1,500

For two other surimono from the series Kasen awase, see Roger Keyes, The Art of Surimono: Privately Published Japanese Woodblock Prints and Books in the Chester Beatty Library, Dublin, London & New York, Sotheby's, 1985, p. 323, nos. 274, 275. For another impression of the third print, see Roger Keyes, Surimono, Privately Published Japanese Prints in the Spencer Museum of Art, New York, Kodansha International, 1984, p. 103, fig. 250.

#### **OTHER PROPERTIES**

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#### KATSUSHIKA HOKUSAI (1760-1849) One woodblock print

Oban yoko-e; from the series Fugaku sanjurokkei (36 Views of Mount Fuji), entitled Bishu Fujimi ga hara (Fujimi ga hara [Fuji-view Moor] in Owari Province), 1831-34, signed Hokusai aratame litsu hitsu, published by Nishimuraya Yohachi (lacking seals) - good impression (blue outline), fair color, faded, some soiling and stains, minor wrinkles, archival tape to reverse top edge 9 3/4 x 15 5/8in (24.9 x 37cm)

\$3,000 - 4,000













3062 (part lot)

#### KATSUSHIKA HOKUSAI (1760-1840)

#### Eleven shunga (erotic prints)

Oban yoko-e, mounted in an album with brocade fabric covers and decorated end papers; from the series (Ehon) tsui no hinagata, c.1812-14 - generally good-fair impressions and color, faded, slightly toned, soiling, wormage 15 x 10 1/8in (38 x 25.8cm) each print

#### \$10,000 - 15,000

The ambiguous title of this album, among Hokusai's first extensive essays in the genre of shunga, is discussed in full, with illustrations of other impressions, in Amy Reigle Newland, ed., Japanese Erotic Fantasies, Sexual Imagery of the Edo Period, Amsterdam, Hotei Publishing, 2005, pp. 157-8.



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3064 (part lot)



3065 (part lot)

#### **UTAGAWA SCHOOL (19TH CENTURY)** Two woodblock printed shunga ehon (erotic printed books)

Obon; each with a frontispiece, double-page color illustrations followed by one or two double-page printed textual passages, and each terminating in a waka poem Volume one: frontispiece, followed by a preface signed Shoka Shojo, five doublepage erotic illustrations of couples engaged in amorous pursuits alternating with seven double-page textual passages - good-fair impressions, good color, some soiling and staining, remounted

Volume two: frontispiece signed Shoka Shojo, seven double-page erotic illustrations of couples engaged in amorous pursuits alternating with ten double-page textual passages – good-fair impressions, good color, some soiling and staining, remounted 10 x 7 1/4in (25.4 x 18.4cm) [overall]

\$1,200 - 1,800

#### 3064

#### A GROUP OF NINE SHUNGA (EROTIC PRINTS)

Nine *oban yoko-e* mounted as a handscroll; including the fourth illustration from the Hokusai album Tsui no hinagata (Picture-book Models of Couples), dated 1817; together with eight prints in the style of Utamaro, circa 1794-95 - good impressions, faded, vertical creases, some soiling

9 1/2 x 14 1/2in (24.4 x 36.7cm) average \$4,000 - 6,000

#### **UTAGAWA HIROSHIGE (1797-1858)** Two woodblock prints

Oban yoko-e; each from the series Tokaido gojusantsugi (53 Stations of the Tokaido Road), entitled Kameyama yukibare (Clear Weather after Snow at Kameyama, #47) and Hodogaya Shinmachibashi (Shinmachi Bridge at Hodogaya, #5), 1833-34, each signed Hiroshige ga and with publisher Takenochi Magohachi (Hoeido) and Tsuruya Kiemon (Senkakudo) seals - good impressions and color, minor soiling and wrinkles, some losses to the margin edges

9 5/8 x 14 3/4in (25.1 x 37.5cm) 10 1/8 x 14 5/8in (25.8 x 37.2cm)

\$1,500 - 2,000

#### **UTAGAWA HIROSHIGE (1797-1858)** Four woodblock prints

Three oban yoko-e and one aiban yoko-e, each signed Hiroshige ga; the first two from the series Tokaido gojusantsugi (53 Stations of the Tokaido Road), Kameyama yukibare (Kameyama: Clear Weather after Snow) and Okabe Utsu no yama (Okabe: Mount Utsu), each published c. 1833-4 by Hoeido (Takenouchi Magohachi); Fujisawa from the Gyosho Tokaido series, with nanushi censor seal and published c. 1841-44 by Ezakiya; the last from a Toto meisho (Famous Places in the Eastern Capital) series, entitled Nihonbashi no hakuu (Shower on Nihonbashi), c. 1832-38, with kiwame censor seal and publisher cartouche of Sanoya Kihei - good impressions, good-fair color, various condition issues 8 1/2 X 13 3/8in (21.6 x 34cm) 9 3/8 x 14 3/9in (23.9 x 36.3cm) 8 x 12 5/8in (20.1 x 32cm) 10 x 15in (25.5 x 38.2cm)

\$800 - 1,200

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#### **UTAGAWA HIROSHIGE (1797-1858)** Two woodblock prints

Oban yoko-e, each from the series Toto meisho (Famous Places in the Eastern Capital), c. 1832-1835, signed Hiroshige ga, publisher Sanoya Kihei (Kikakudo), one entitled Masaki yukibare no zu (Clear Weather after Snow at Masaki), the other entitled Kameido Tenmangu keidai yuki (Snow in the Precincts of Tenmangu Temple in Kameido) - good impressions and color, center crease, some trimming of the margins, corner losses 9 3/4 x 14 1/2 in (37.5 x 24.5 cm)

\$800 - 1,200

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3069 (part lot)



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#### **UTAGAWA HIROSHIGE (1797-1858)**

#### A set of 55 woodblock prints

Oban yoko-e; each from the series Tokaido gojusan-tsugi (53 Stations of the Tokaido) also known at the Reisho Tokaido, each with the station title and number, signed Hiroshige ga, with two nanushi censor seals (c. 1847-52), most with the publisher cartouche of Maruya Seijiro (Marusei/Jukakudo) on the side margin - varying impressions, generally very good-good color, generally good condition 9 1/4-9 5/8 x 14 1/4-14 1/2in (23.6-24.6 x 36.1-37cm) \$7,000 - 9,000

This Tokaido series is known as the *Reisho Tokaido* after the calligraphic style of the title cartouche and is considered by most to be Hiroshige's best after the "Hoeido" series published in the early 1830s.

#### 3070

#### **UTAGAWA HIROSHIGE (1797-1858)**

#### Two woodblock prints

Oban tate-e; each from the series Meisho Edo hyakkei (100 Famous Views of Edo), entitled Tsunohazu Kumano Junisha zokusho juniso (Kumano Junisha Shrine, Tsunohazu, #64), with aratame and date seals (1856, 7th month), and Fukagawa Sanjusangendo (Hall of 33 Bays, Fukagawa, #71, 1857, 8th month), each signed Hiroshige and with publisher Uoya Eikichi cartouche - very good-good impressions, very good color, first with minor corner losses and slightly trimmed, second with top and left margins trimmed and backed

14 1/4 x 9 5/8in (36 x 24.5cm) 13 5/8 x 9 5/8in (35.1 x 24.4cm)

\$1,000 - 1,500

#### 3071

#### UTAGAWA TOYOKUNI (1769-1825)

#### 20 woodblock prints

Oban tate-e; consisting of five single actor portraits, c. 1813-14, published by Yamaguchiya Tobei; the remainder diptych and triptych sets featuring actors in role, each signed Toyokuni ga, with *kiwame* censor seals and the marks of various publishers - generally good impressions, very good color, some soiling, some with binding holes 15 x 10 1/4in (38 x 26cm) average

\$1,800 - 2,500

#### PROPERTY OF MATSUYE TAO, SAN MATEO, CALIFORNIA

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#### UTAGAWA KUNISADA (1786-1864)

#### 15 woodblock prints

Oban tate-e; from the series *Tosei mitate sanju-rokkasen* (Contemporary Kabuki Actors Likened to a Selection of 36 Flowers), most with censor/date seal of 1862, signed *Kio* (77 years old) *Toyokuni ga*, with carver's notation and publisher cartouche of Hiranoya Shinzo (Aikindo) – generally very good impressions and color, most slightly soiled and backed 14 1/4 x 9 3/4in (36.3 x 25cm) average

\$1,000 - 1,500

3073

#### UTAGAWA KUNISADA (1786-1864)

#### 12 woodblock prints

Oban tate-e; from the series Tosei mitate sanju-rokkasen (Contemporary Kabuki Actors Likened to a Selection of 36 Flowers), with censor/date seals of 1861 (7th month) and 1863 (5th month), signed Toyokuni ga and shichijuhachi-o (78 years old) Toyokuni ga, with publisher cartouche of Hiranoya Shinzo (Aikindo) – generally very good impressions and color, most slightly soiled and backed 14 1/4 x 9 3/4in (36.3 x 25cm) average

\$800 - 1,200





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#### **OTHER PROPERTIES**

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#### **UTAGAWA TOYOKUNI (1769-1825)**

#### 22 woodblock prints

Oban tate-e; consisting of eleven diptych and partial triptych sets featuring actors in role, each signed Toyokuni ga, with kiwame censor seals and the marks of various publishers - generally good impressions, very good color, some soiling, some with binding holes 15 x 10 1/4in (38 x 26cm) average

\$2,000 - 3,000

3075

#### UTAGAWA KUNISADA (1786-1864)

#### 41 woodblock prints

Oban tate-e; consisting of 13 diptych and 5 triptych sets featuring actors in role, each signed Gototei Kunisada ga, with kiwame censor seals and the marks of various publishers - generally good impressions, very good color, some soiling, some with binding holes 15 x 10 1/4in (38 x 26cm) average

\$2,000 - 3,000



#### **KAWASE HASUI (1883-1957)**

#### One woodblock print

From the series Tabi miyage dai sanshu (Third Souvenirs of Travel Series), entitled Hida Nakavama-shichiri (Nakavama-shichiri Road, Hida), dated 1924, signed *Hasui*, right margin with copyright notation of publisher of Watanabe Shozaburo (1924-1930) - very good impression, good color, toned, minor corner loss, irregular right margin, minor foxing (visible on reverse), traces of adhesive to the reverse top corners

10 1/4 x 15 1/4in (26.2 x 38.8cm)

\$1,000 - 1,500

For another impression of this print, see Kendall Brown and Amy Reigle Newland, Kawase Hasui: The Complete Woodblock Prints, Amsterdam, 2008, no. 123.

#### PROPERTY OF MATSUYE TAO, SAN MATEO, CALIFORNIA

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#### **KAWASE HASUI (1883-1957)**

#### One woodblock print

Entitled Kiyosubashi (Kiyosu Bridge), February 1931 (lacking date on print), signed Hasui, right margin with carver notation of Ono Gintaro and publisher cartouche of Watanabe Shozaburo (c. 1942-45) - good impression, very good color, very minor wrinkles, traces of mounting trace to reverse

10 1/8 x 15 1/2in (25.7 x 39.5cm)

\$2,000 - 4,000

For another impression of this print, see Kendall Brown and Amy Reigle Newland, Kawase Hasui: The Complete Woodblock Prints, Amsterdam, 2008, no. 246.

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#### **KAWASE HASUI (1883-1957)**

#### One woodblock print

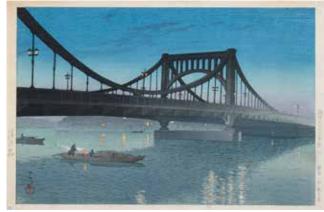
Entitled Itsukushima no yuki (Snow at Itsukushima), dated December 1932, signed Hasui, right corner with 'artist's proof' seal of Watanabe Shozaburo [K] - good impression, very good color, slightly wrinkled 10 3/8 x 15 1/2in (26.2 x 39.4cm)

\$800 - 1,200

For another impression of this print, see Kendall Brown and Amy Reigle Newland, Kawase Hasui: The Complete Woodblock Prints, Amsterdam, 2008, no. 287.



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#### **ANOTHER PROPERTY**

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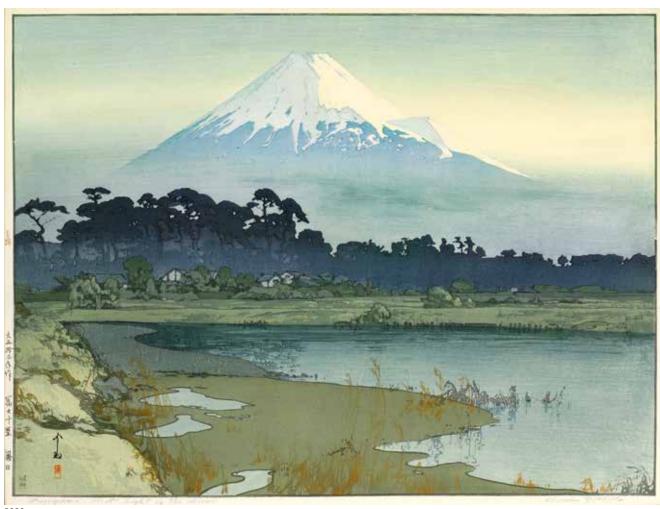
#### ITO SHINSUI (1898-1972)

#### One woodblock print

Entitled *Haru* (Spring), also known as *A courtesan*, dated December 1917, signed *Shinsui*, published by Watanabe Shozaburo in a limited edition of 100 - very good impression and color, some staining, laid down 18 11/16 x 9 3/8in (47.5 x 23.8cm)

\$4,000 - 6,000

For another impression, see Shinji Hamanaka and Amy Reigle Newland, *The Female Image: 20th Century Prints of Japanese Beauties*, Amsterdam, Hotei, 2000, p. 51, fig. 29-1.



#### PROPERTY OF A NAPLES, FLORIDA COLLECTOR

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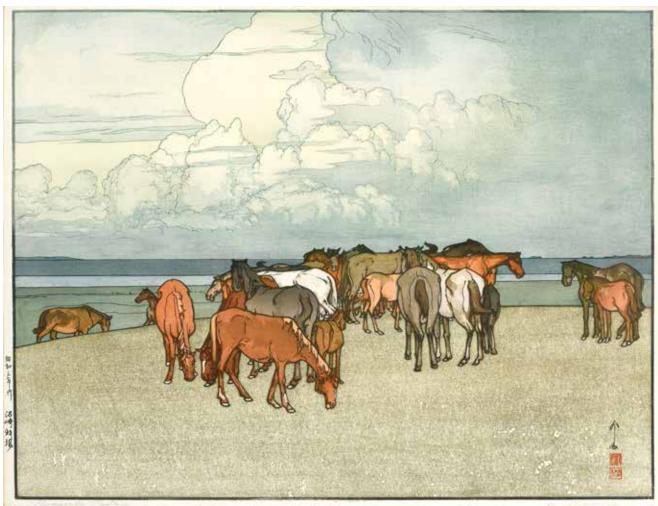
#### YOSHIDA HIROSHI (1876-1950)

#### One oversize woodblock print

From the series (Ten Views of Fuji), entitled Asahi (Sunrise)/Fujiyama-First Light of the Sun, dated Taisho 15 (1926), signed Hiroshi Yoshida in pencil, with jizuri mark on the left margin very good impression and color, lightly laid down, minor mat burn 23 3/16 x 30in (58.8 x 76.3cm)

\$5,000 - 7,000

For another impression of this print, see Tadao Ogura and others, Yoshida Hiroshi zen mokuhanga shu (The Complete Woodblock Prints of Yoshida Hiroshi), second edition, Tokyo, Abe Shuppan, 1991, no. 48.



#### 3081

#### YOSHIDA HIROSHI (1876-1950)

### One oversize woodblock print

Entitled *Numazaki bokujo* (Numazaki Pasture), dated *Showa 3* (1928), signed *Hiroshi Yoshida* in pencil, with *jizuri* mark - very good impression and color, lightly laid down, minor mat burn 24 x 32 1/8in (61 x 81.6cm)

#### \$1,000 - 1,500

For another impression of this print, see Tadao Ogura and others, *Yoshida Hiroshi zen mokuhanga shu* (The Complete Woodblock Prints of Yoshida Hiroshi), second edition, Tokyo, Abe Shuppan, 1991, no. 103.



#### **OTHER PROPERTIES**

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#### YOSHIDA HIROSHI (1876-1950)

#### One oversize woodblock print

Entitled Unkai Houozan (Sea of Clouds at Houozan), dated 1928, signed Hiroshi Yoshida and titled in pencil, with jizuri seal - very good impression and color, lightly laid down, slight visible mat line

25 5/8 x 37 7/16in (65.3 x 95.1cm)

\$7,000 - 10,000

Sea of Clouds at Houozan is the largest of all of the prints by Yoshida Hiroshi.

For another impression of this print, see Tadao Ogura and others, Yoshida Hiroshi zen mokuhanga shū (The Complete Woodblock Prints of Yoshida Hiroshi), second edition, Tokyo, Abe Shuppan, 1991, no. 102.

# MIYAGAWA CHOSHUN (1683-1753) A RARE AND IMPORTANT NANSHOKU (MALE-MALE) SHUNGA HANDSCROLL Edo period (1615-1868), early 18th century

Handscroll, ink and colors on silk, depicting ten scenes of lovemaking, each between an older man and a younger samurai dressed in female apparel and with a female hairstyle, five of them with a third person present (respectively, another young man playing a shamisen; a young male servant with a tray of smoking utensils; a second naked younger man who embraces the older man as he penetrates his other partner from behind; a female voyeur who observes the couple from behind a screen; and a fully-clothed young samurai who stands over the couple as they relax under a futon [quilt] after intercourse), the fifth to ninth scenes more explicit than the others; signed in two places: once on a screen forming part of the penultimate scene Hishikawa Choshun hitsu (brush of Hishikawa Choshun) with an abbreviated seal and a second time at the end of the scroll Hishikawa Choshun hitsu with seals Choshun no in (seal of Choshun) and Hishikawa-shi no in (seal of Hishikawa)

10 3/4 x 137 3/8in (27.2 x 340cm)

\$35,000 - 45,000

#### Published

Richard Lane, *Images from the Floating World: The Japanese Print*, Secaucus NJ, Chartwell Books, 1978, pp.89-90 and plate 83; the second of the ten scenes shown here, captioned "Rake with Catamites. Detail from a handscroll in colors on silk, ca. early 1700s (late Genroku Period). Signature (at end of scroll) *Hishikawa* [not Miyaqawa] *Chōshun hitsu*, with seals."

Tsuneo Watanabe and Jun'ichi Iwata (D.R. Roberts trans.), *The Love of the Samurai: A Thousand Years of Japanese Homosexuality*, London, GMP, 1989, coveer and pp. 137-145; a note on p.11 states that "This is the first time that these magnificent works have been published 'uncensored', by courtesy of Dr. Richard Lane."

As noted by Professor Timon Screech, it would appear that during the Edo period (1615-1868), "'heterosexual' and 'homosexual' were not fixed distinct human types, rather they were understood as activities." This was perhaps especially true during the earlier part of the period, as depicted in the fiction of Ihara Saikaku whose famous novel Koshoku ichidai otoko (Life of a Sex-Mad Man), published in 1682 (not long before the likely date of this painting), describes the activity of the hero Yonosuke who " . . . sleeps with 3,752 women and 725 men (not including the uncounted men with whom he had affairs before he reached adulthood)." Screech observes that just like the fictional Yonosuke, many prominent real-life figures of the time, including not only shoguns and their courtiers but also cultural superstars such as the haiku poet Basho ". . . routinely slept with other men, as well as (in most cases) with women". (Timon Screech, Sex and the Floating World: Erotic Images in Japan, 1700-1820, second edition, London, Reaktion Books, 2009, pp. 93-94).

Despite this seeming acceptance of male-male coupling, painted images of erotic encounters between males are exceptionally rare in Japanese art, even during the Edo period. Those paintings that have survived, mostly from the decades around 1700, generally depict sex between "a mature man who is the active partner and a youth who receives his favours," and this same tendency is seen in later woodblock-printed male-sex manuals such as Nanshoku hana no sugao (Male Love: Actors Without their Make-Up), from the later eighteenth century, where again "...the older man invariably [takes] the active role in all sexual encounters and the younger man the passive role" (Timothy Clark, Shunga: Sex and Pleasure in Japanese Art, London, British Museum, 2013, pp. 20-21 and 443). The present scroll fits broadly within this paradigm although there is one scene (the fourth, featuring an abandoned game of go) where the first move is apparently made by the effeminately dressed wakashu (young man), another where the younger man attends to the coiffure of his sleeping partner using a pair of tweezers, and a threesome which seems to presage active lovemaking by a second younger man.

This scroll, a rare and precious survival and an important rediscovery, has been virtually unseen since the 1970s when just one of its scenes was illustrated by maverick ukiyo-e scholar Richard Lane in his encyclopedic publication *Images from the Floating World*. Lane regarded the artist, Miyagawa Choshun, as a neglected genius, but Choshun's stock has risen steadily over the past 40 years, helped by publications such as the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston's *Drama and Desire*, which features four masterpieces by Choshun from the museum's unequalled collection of ukiyo-e painting (Anne Nishimura Morse ed., *Drama and Desire: Japanese Paintings from the Floating World, 1690-1850*, Boston, MFA Publications, 2007, cat. nos. 11-14).

Since Choshun designed no woodblock prints or illustrated books that might have provided dates of publication, the details of his career are obscure but efforts have been made to group his works into three periods, one determining factor (as noted in the British Museum's online essay on the artist) being the degree of stylistic influence from the early ukiyo-e master Hishikawa Moronobu (d. 1694). The present scroll, a striking instance of that influence, even bears signatures where the artist's usual surname Miyagawa (taken from the name of his birthplace) is twice replaced by Hishikawa, indicating that Choshun saw himself as the stylistic heir of Moronobu, even though he was too young to have actually studied with him.

For a work by Choshun's pupil Issho, see the following lot.













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#### MIYAGAWA ISSHO (ACT. 1751-1763) BEAUTY UNDER A PLUM TREE

#### Edo period (1615-1868), mid-18th century

Hanging scroll, ink and color on paper; the upper section with a seven-character Chinese poetic couplet; signed *Nihonga Miyagawa Issho*, with four seals

With an inscribed wood *tomobako* storage box 36 x 4 5/8in (91.5 x 11.8cm)

\$3,500 - 4,500

For a painting by Issho's teacher Miyagawa Choshun, see the preceding lot.

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#### HANABUSA ITCHO (1652-1724) TENGU (MOUNTAIN GOBLINS)

Edo period (1615-1868), c. 1700

Hanging scroll, ink and color on paper, depicting Ushiwakamaru (the young Yoshitsune) in the guise of a *tengu* and wearing a *yamabushi* (mountain monk) cap, assailing the real *tengu* of Mount Kurama in the branches of an enormous pine tree, observed by their king Sojobo who watches him from behind a fan, two junior *tengu* falling to the ground at the bottom of the scroll, inscribed with a poem and signed *Fuji Nobuka ga*, with one seal of the artist  $35 \times 12 \ 1/2in \ (88.9 \times 31.8cm)$ 

\$7,000 - 9,000

At the very beginning of his military career, the charismatic, ill-fated hero Minamoto no Yoshitsune (1159-1189) was sent, aged six, to a Buddhist temple in Kurama, a mountainous region north of Kyoto, where he resisted monastic discipline and would frequently escape to receive instruction from Sojobo, the great tengu of Kurama, in the martial skills that would enable him to destroy his family's archenemy, the Taira clan. The tengu, monstrous creatures with crow-like beaks, are thought to have been inspired by the masks worn at ceremonies practiced in mountain temples by monks of the Shugendo sect, known as yamabushi. After completing his training at Kurama, Yoshitsune left the mountain in secret to fulfill his tragic destiny. The other disguised figure in this painting, depicted below the two tengu attacked by Yoshitsune, is perhaps the warrior-monk Benkei who would become the hero's faithful companion, even though he normally enters the narrative after Yoshitsune's return to Kyoto.

The story of Yoshitsune, for much of his career an outcast from conventional society, was an ideal subject for the artist's eleven years on the island of Miyake, where he was exiled as a punishment for lampooning the shogun's concubine; it was not in fact until his return to Edo that he started using the name Itcho by which he is generally known today.

For an Itcho painting of another historic exile, Tenjin (Sugawara no Michizane), also signed *Fuji Nobuka*, see Miriam Wattles, *The Life and Afterlives of Hanabusa Itcho, Artist-Rebel of Edo*, Leiden-/Boston, Brill, 2013, p. 64, fig. 25. A pair of hanging scrolls by Itcho depicting Mount Takao and Mount Kurama is in the University Art Museum, Tokyo University of the Arts, inv. nos. 30 and 375.

#### **FUGAI EKUN (1568-1654)** HOTEI LEANING OVER HIS BAG, MOMOYAMA (1573-1615) OR Edo period (1615-1868), late 16th-early 17th century

Hanging scroll, ink on paper; the deity leaning on his enormous cloth bag, the tip of his staff visible to the left, accompanied by a 20-character Chinese inscription (see below), signed and sealed Fugai 32 x 12 1/2in (81.3 x 31.8cm)

\$15,000 - 20,000

The inscription, which appears in several of Fugai's paintings, reads:

#### 世間誰可論 大福有餘身 何笑老賓客 途中只一人

Who can describe him in worldly terms When his good fortune is even greater than his girth? What is this seasoned beggar laughing at When he alone is traveling the road?

Widely viewed as the greatest ink painter in the Soto tradition of Zen Buddhism, in art-historical terms Fugai Ekun forms a bridge between the China-rooted Zen figure painting of the Kamakura period (1185-1333) and the often more relaxed and informal approach favored by the later Rinzai master Hakuin Ekaku (1685-1768) and his followers. Following his early Zen training at the Sorinji Temple in present-day Gunma Prefecture, Fugai wandered Japan for two decades in search of enlightenment before settling briefly at the Joganii Temple near Odawara in 1618, then spending the remainder of his days living in caves in the nearby mountains. Stephen Addiss suggests that Fugai resembled the tenth-century Chinese monk Budai (in Japanese, Hotei) in his "penchant for wandering, playing with children, and refusing official positions in the Buddhist hierarchy" (Stephen Addiss, The Art of Zen: Paintings and Calligraphy by Japanese Monks, 1600-1925, New York, Abrams, 1989, p. 50); in consequence, Fugai depicted Hotei often, usually emphasizing, as here, the roly-poly monk's enigmatically cheerful smile.

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#### **ANONYMOUS** SCENES FROM THE TALE OF GENJI Edo period (1615-1868), 19th century

Small six panel screen, ink, colors, and gold on paper; depicting scenes from the famous novel of Heian court life, separated by scalloped gold clouds

37 3/4 x 137 1/4in (95.8 x 254cm)

\$2,500 - 3,500



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#### OGAWA RITSUO (1663-1747) COURT BEAUTY WITH A CAT

Edo period (1615-1868), 18th-19th century Hanging scroll, ink and color on silk;

portraying an attendant with court lady-in-waiting looking back at a small cat (an allusion to The Third Princess in the *Tale of Genji*), a waka poem inscribed to the top, signed *Ukanshi Ritsuo zu* with two seals of the artist 14 x 21 3/4in (35.4 x 55.6cm)

\$800 - 1,200

#### PROPERTY FROM A PRIVATE PENNSYLVANIA COLLECTION

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### AFTER IKE NO TAIGA (1723-1776) DISTANT LANDSCAPE AND BOWER

Hanging scroll: ink and color on paper, depicting a lone scholar approaching a bower, a mountainous landscape in the distance, with a long colophon inscribed with a pair of Chinese seven-character couplets and *Mumei*, bearing seals *lke mumei no in* and *Sangaku doja* 

With wood *tomobako* storage box with an inscription by Nagao Kayo (1824-1913) dated 1902, and with additional inscription by Yamanaka Rankei (1883-1975) dated June 1962. **\$7,000 - 9,000** 

#### Provenance

Motoyama Chikuso collection

Two box inscriptions accompanying this painting attest to the authenticity of this work. The earlier, written by Nagao Kayo, a pupil of Tsubaki Chinzan (1801-1854), praises this painting, pointing out that it is exhibits *ki'in* (Ch. *qiyun*), the first of the six laws of painting associated with Tang dynasty masters. The later inscription by Yamanaka Rankei, a scholar familiar with the work of lke Taiga and co-author of an important study of the artist published in 1960 (see below), discusses the painting at length suggesting that Taiga was drawing here on the works of the early Chinese masters Wang Wei (699-759) and Mi Youren (1075-1151).

Kosugi Hoan, Tanaka Ichimatsu and Yamanaka Rankei, *Ike Taiga sakuhinshu (The Works of Ike-no Taiga)*, Tokyo, Chuo Koron Bijutsu Shuppan, 1960



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#### **SHIBATA ZESHIN (1807-1891) HINA DOLLS**

Meiji era (1868-1912), c. 1887

Hanging scroll, ink and color on silk, the doll Emperor and Empress seated in front of a decorative stand beneath two shikishi (decorative papers) depicting trees and a river; signed Gyonen hachijuichi-o Zeshin 行年八十一翁是真 (Zeshin, age 81), with an urn-shaped seal Zeshin With wood tomobako storage box inscribed Zeshin-o hitsu kodai hina no zu Kakan'an Chikushin shiki 是真翁筆古代雛之圖可寬菴竹 真識 (Picture of ancient dolls by the venerable Zeshin, examined by Kakan'an Chikushin), with seal Yukei 有敬 (one of the art names used by Shoji Chikushin [1855-1936], a pupil of Zeshin) 36 3/4 x 12 7/8in (93.5 x 32.8cm)

\$8,000 - 10,000



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#### **SHIBATA ZESHIN (1807-1891) BIRD HOUSE IN A FLOWERING PLUM TREE**

Meiji era (1868-1912), c. 1880-1890

Hanging scroll, lacquer on paper, an early spring scene of a flowering plum tree in the snow fitted with a straw-roofed bird house where a plump sparrow has just started to build its nest, signed Zeshin with seal Tairyukyo

With tomobako (storage box) inscribed Zeshin-o ume suzume urushi-e (Plum and sparrow lacquer painting by the venerable Zeshin) 21 1/2 x 10 1/2in (54.5 x 26cm)

\$12,000 - 18,000

#### **Published**

Frederick Baekeland, Imperial Japan: The Art of the Meiji Era (1868-1912), Ithaca NY, Herbert F. Johnson Museum of Art, Cornell University, 1980, cat. no. 44







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#### 3092

#### ITO SHINSUI (1898-1972) YUSUZUMI (ENJOYING THE EVENING COOL)

Hanging scroll, ink and color on silk, signed *Shinsui ga*, with one seal of the artist With a self-inscribed wood *tomobako* storage box

44 x 10 3/8in (110.5 x 26.5cm)

\$4,000 - 6,000

Accompanied by *kanteisho* (certificate of authenticity) no.013-2218 issued by the Tokyo Bijutsu Kurabu Kanteisho linkai (Tokyo Art Club Authentication Committee), dated October 9 2013.

#### 3093

#### ITO SHINSUI (1898-1972) HAMACHO KASHI (HAMACHO RIVERSIDE)

Hanging scroll, ink and color on silk; signed *Shinsui ga*, with one seal of the artist With a self-inscribed wood *tomobako* storage box

18 x 21 3/8in (45.9 x 54.3cm)

\$6,000 - 8,000

Accompanied by *kanteisho* (certificate of authenticity) no. 014-1700 issued by the Tokyo Bijutsu Kurabu Kanteisho linkai (Tokyo Art Club Authentication Committee), dated July 9 2014.

# PROPERTY FROM THE BIKOFF COLLECTION

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# VARIOUS SHIJO SCHOOL ARTISTS SEVEN RABBITS

Edo period (1615-1868), late 18th century

Hanging scroll, ink on paper; each of the animals in a different pose and accompanied by the signature and seal of the artist 13 1/2 x 38 1/2in (34.2 x 98cm)

\$1,500 - 2,500



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#### **OTHER PROPERTIESV**

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#### **HIROSHI YOSHIDA (1876-1950) POTTERS**

Watercolor on paper; signed lower left H. Yoshida 13 7/8 x 20 1/2in (35 x 52cm)

\$800 - 1,200

#### PROPERTY OF A NAPLES. **FLORIDA COLLECTOR**

#### **RYONOSUKE FUKUI (1923-1986) FLUTE PLAYER**

Oil on canvas; signed lower right R. Fukui 28 x 36in (70.9 x 91.4cm) \$3,000 - 5,000

Evacuated to Iwate Prefecture in northeastern Japan during World War II, Ryonosuke Fukui taught there for a time before returning in 1952 to Tokyo, where he first exhibited his oil painting the following year. After focusing on screen printing for a time, from the mid-1960s Fukui specialized in oils and was awarded the ninth Hitoshi Hasegawa Prize in 1985.

#### PROPERTY FROM THE BIKOFF COLLECTION

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#### **GYOKKEI**

### TWO HARES IN A LANDSCAPE

Edo period (1615-1868), early 19th century Hanging scroll, ink and color on silk; with a

pair of white rabbits in an autumn landscape, the surrounding "mounting" painted in kakibyoso (trompe l'oeil) with bush clover, the clouds in the composition escaping the frame, sealed Teido gain

47 1/4 x 16 3/8in (120 x 41.5cm)

\$800 - 1,200







#### **OTHER PROPERTIES**

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#### THREE WOOD NETSUKE

Edo period (1615-1868), 19th century

The first carved as a Daruma perched on top of a *mokugyo* using a *nyoi* scepter to scratch his chin, signed *Kogessai* (Naomasa); the second a netsuke carved as a mask of an old man, signed *Deme Joman*; the third finely carved as Jurojin sitting cross-legged, his hands resting on his knees, signed on the underside *Kuniyuki* 

1 15/16in (5cm) high (the largest) \$1,500 - 2,500

3099

#### A WOOD NETSUKE OF A SHISHI Edo period (1615-1868), 18th-19th century

Carved seated on its haunches with its head turned back and mouth open, the curling mane and tail finely wrought

1 1/4in (3.2cm) high

\$1,000 - 1,500

#### Provenance

Melvin McGovern collection

3100

# A WOOD NETSUKE OF A RECUMBENT GOAT

Edo period (1615-1868), early 19th century

Carved with its head turned back and its hind leg raised to scratch its chin, the other legs tucked close to its body, the fine details highlighted with dark stain

1 3/4in (4.5cm) wide

\$2,000 - 3,000

#### 3101

# A WOOD NETSUKE OF A TURTLE AND SNAKE

Edo period (1615-1868), early 19th century

Stained dark and naturalistically carved as a sinuous snake wound around an unfortunate turtle, the snake's coils forming the *himotoshi*, the wood bearing a fine patina

1 3/4in (4.5cm) wide

\$2,000 - 3,000

#### Provenance

Previously sold Bonhams, London, November 6, 2012, lot 166.

3102

#### A WOODEN NETSUKE OF AN ELEPHANT By Minkoku, Edo period (1615-1868), 19th century

Carved as an elephant being washed by three attendants, leaning its head down so they can get behind the ear, the details finely wrought, the tusks in bone, signed on the hind leg in a cartouche *Minkoku* 

1 1/2in (3.7cm) wide

\$1,500 - 2,500

3103

#### A WOOD NETSUKE OF AN OCTOPUS By Jugyoku, Tokyo, Edo period (1615-1868), 19th century

The large octopus intricately carved with its tentacles entwined in a mass and framing its bulbous head, the eyes double-inlaid in hardstone, the wood bearing a rich patina, signed *Jugyoku* 

2 1/4in (5.7cm) high

\$6,000 - 8,000

#### Provenance

James A. Rose collection, sold in these Rooms, *The James A. Rose Collection of Netsuke and Sagemono*, September 17 2013, lot 2041. 3104

#### A WOODEN NETSUKE OF A LOTUS POD By Tomochika, Edo period (1615-1868), 19th century

Naturalistically rendered as a dried lotus pod, its stem curled towards the lip, the seeds in a dark wood and fully articulated, the details highlighted with stain, signed in a rectangular reserve *Tomochika* 

2in (5.1cm) wide

\$1,200 - 1,800

3105

#### A WOOD NETSUKE OF A SCULPTOR By Ryukei II, Edo period (1615-1868), early 19th century

The artisan carved with chisel in hand, working on the large head of a Nio, the details finely wrought, signed on the underside *Ryukei* 1 1/2in (3.8cm) wide

\$1,200 - 1,800

#### Provenance

Duke of Gloucester collection

3106

# A WOOD NETSUKE OF A SEATED MASK CARVER

By Ryuraku, Edo period (1615-1868), early 19th century

The wood stained dark and formed as a mask carver at work with a chisel in his right hand and two masks in front of him, balanced on a wood stump, signed on the underside *Ryuraku* 1 1/4in (3.2cm) wide

\$1,200 - 1,800

#### Provenance

Previously sold Christie's, London, sale 6071, lot 103, May 16 2012.

3107

#### A WOOD NETSUKE

Edo period (1615-1868), early 19th century

Carved as a seated man napping on top of a large millstone, his legs crossed beneath him, the dark wood bearing a fine patina 1 7/8in (4.8cm) wide

\$1,000 - 1,500

























3108

### A BOAR'S-TUSK NETSUKE

Edo period (1615-1868), 19th century

The natural form intricately incised with a bold design of Shoki, the Demon Queller, the details picked out in dark stain, the reverse with a few scattered blossoms 4 1/4in (10.8cm) long

\$2,000 - 3,000

3109

#### A BOAR'S-TUSK NETSUKE

Edo period (1615-1868), 19th century

The natural form incised with a continuous design of a stalking tiger, its mouth open, the detail stained dark, sealed *Kan* and another illegible seal

3in (7.6cm) long

\$2,000 - 3,000

3110

# A WOOD SASHI NETSUKE OF AN EGGPLANT

By Kaigyokusai Masatsugu, Edo period (1615-1868) or Meiji era (1868-1912), mid-late 19th century

The light wood bearing a fine patina and carved as an elongated eggplant, naturalistically rendered with the curling stem forming the *himotoshi*, signed *Kaigyokusai* and sealed *Masatsugu* 6in (15.2cm) long

\$3,000 - 5,000

#### Provenance

Previously sold Sotheby Parke-Bernet, Honolulu, January 22 1977, lot 37 and Sotheby's, London, June 20 1988, lot 7.

#### Published

International Netsuke Collector's Society Journal, vol. IV, no. 4 (March, 1977), p. 10. George Lazarnick, *Netsuke and Inro Artists and How to Read Their Signatures*, vol. 1, Honolulu, Reed Publishers, 1981, p. 560.





3111

#### A WOOD NETSUKE OF A HATCHLING TENGU

#### By Kagetoshi, Edo period (1615-1868), early 19th century

The light wood bearing a rich patina and finely carved as a tengu peering out of its broken shell, its small yamabushi (mountain monk) cap in dark wood, signed in a reserve Kagetoshi 1 5/8in (4.2cm) wide

\$4,000 - 5,000

#### Provenance

Previously sold Bonhams, London, November 12 2008, lot 378.

#### A GROUP OF 15 MIXED-METAL OJIME Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th century

Decorated in mixed metal and formed as a variety of shapes including a tripod incense burner, a gourd with vine, a crab on a lotus leaf, a magnolia branch on an iron ground, and others 7/8in (2.3cm) high (the largest)

\$1,800 - 2,500

3113

#### A SILVER AND BAMBOO KISERU (PIPE)

#### By Yasuchika, Edo period (1615-1868), 19th century

Cast and carved with a bold design of a warrior grappling with a large serpent, signed on the reverse Yasuchika and with a kao 8 1/8in (20.6cm) long

\$1,000 - 1,500

The maker is Yasuchika IV, is said to have been a student of Yasuchika III and also of Iwamoto Konkan and to have followed the family tradition of producing sword fittings, although he also turned his hand to other items. See Robert Haynes, The Index of Japanese Sword Fittings and Associated Artists, Ellwangen, Germany, Nihon Art Publishers, 2001, no.H11107.





#### A YATATE (PORTABLE WRITING SET) AND NETSUKE SET

# By Tetsugendo Kyusai (1879-1938), Meiji era (1868-1912), dated 1897

Fashioned from a branch of stag antler, the interior recessed to hold a brush and inkwell covered by a retractable *unimatsu* section, signed on the corona *Kyusai zo* and dated *Hinoto tori* (1897); the dark wood netsuke carved to resemble a partially used ink stick, signed *Dai Nihon Naniwa Kyusai zo* 7 1/8in (18.1cm) long (the yatate)

\$1,500 - 2,000

3115

# A THREE-CASE WOOD INRO FORMED AS A TORTOISE

# By Hidari Issan, Edo period (1615-1868), early 19th century

Intricately carved to resemble the natural carapace, with the tortoise's legs tucked close to its body, the head peeking out slightly, the detail highlighted with dark stain, signed in a reserve *Hidari Issan* 

3 3/8in (8.5cm) long \$3,000 - 5,000 3116

#### A FOUR-CASE LACQUER INRO By Koma Koryusai, Edo period (1615-1868), 19th century

Of lenticular section and decorated with circular panels of a kestrel in a pine tree and a sparrow flying before prunus in *iroe-takamaki-e*, *hiramaki-e* and *hirame*, the surrounding areas *kinji*, interiors *nashiji*, signed *Koryusai*; with a blue hardstone bead *ojime* and a wood netsuke carved as a pair of hares, eyes inlaid in colored stone 3 1/2in (8.6cm) high

\$1,500 - 2,500





#### A GOLD LACQUER FOUR-CASE INRO

By Yamada Jokasai, Edo period (1615-1868), 19th century Of lenticular section and designed in two shades of gold, silver, black, brown and red takamaki-e and hiramaki-e with Kanzan and Jittoku examining a handscroll against a fine Gyobu nashiji ground, the interiors gold nashiji, signed on the underside Jokasai; the ojime and square manju netsuke decorated in deeply carved red lacquer with trailing floral vines 3 1/2in (8.9cm) high

\$2,000 - 3,000

#### 3118

#### A THREE-CASE BLACK LACQUER INRO

After Ogawa Haritsu (Ritsuo), Edo period (1615-1868), 18th century Decorated with a richly caparisoned elephant in gold takamaki-e and mother-of-pearl inlays, the back cloth with a design of scrolling flowerheads, inlaid in ceramic, signed with a ceramic seal Kan, the interiors black lacquer with fundame edges; fitted with a carved lacquer ojime 2 5/8in (6.7cm) high

\$2,000 - 3,000







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3120

# A LACQUER KOTSUZUMI (DRUM FOR THE NOH DRAMA) Edo period (1615-1868), 18th century

Decorated in gold *hiramaki-e* on a *nashiji* ground with peony and chrysanthemum blossoms, the later rims lacquered black and gold; with one storage bag

9 3/4in (24.8 cm) high \$1,500 - 2,000

## A MASK FOR THE NOH DRAMA: SHISHIGUCHI (LION MOUTH) Edo period (1615-1868), 19th century

Polychrome pigments and gesso over wood, gilt-metal eyes, carved seal *Tachibana Yoshitaka saku* on back

With one storage bag 8 3/4in (22cm) high **\$2,000 - 3,000** 

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#### A MASK FOR THE NOH DRAMA: OTOBIDE (HORNLESS DEMON) By Nagasawa Ujiharu (1912-2003), Showa era (1912-1989), 20th century

Carved in wood and painted in polychrome pigments over gesso, the eyes and teeth applied with gilt-metal, burned seal on the reverse *Ujiharu Nagasawa* 

With brocade storage bag and *tomobako* signed and sealed by the artist 8 1/4in (20.9cm) high

\$3,000 - 4,000

Born to a Kyoto family of gardeners in hereditary imperial service, from the age 11 Nagasawa Ujiharu had to work for a living due to his father's business failures but was apprenticed three years later to Tachibana Seigo, a distant relative who specialized in carving masks for the Noh drama. Thanks to his natural talent Tachibana became an independent artist after only a year, honing his skills by copying ancient masks lent to him by a local antique dealer. During the difficult post-war years he made a living as a plasterer, sculptor of Buddhist images, and even as a carver of mah-jong tiles but from the mid 1960s he was able to concentrate on Noh masks, in 1979 becoming the first mask-carver to earn the coveted title of Holder of an Intangible Cultural Property, or "Living National Treasure." In 1983, he was awarded the Order of the Sacred Treasure, Fifth Class.

#### 3122

#### A MASK FOR THE NOH DRAMA: OBESHIMI (DEMON) By Nagasawa Ujiharu (1912-2003), Showa era (1912-1989), 20th century

Carved in wood and painted in polychrome pigments over gesso, the eyes applied with gilt-metal, burned seal on the reverse *Ujiharu Nagasawa* With brocade storage bag and *tomobako* signed and sealed by the artist 8 1/4in (20.9cm) high

\$3,500 - 4,500

#### 3123

#### A MASK FOR THE NOH DRAMA: SHISHIGUCHI (LION MOUTH) By Nagasawa Ujiharu (1912-2003), Showa era (1926-1989), 20th century

Carved in wood and decorated in polychrome pigment over gesso, the eyes and teeth applied with gilt metal, burned seal on the reverse *Nagasawa Ujiharu* 

With brocade storage bag and tomobako signed and sealed by the artist 8 1/4in (20.9cm) high

\$3,500 - 4,500

#### 312

#### A MASK FOR THE NOH DRAMA: SHINTAI (YOUTHFUL DEITY) By Nagasawa Ujiharu (1912-2003), Showa era (1921-1989), 20th century)

Carved in wood and painted in polychrome pigments over gesso, the eyes applied with gilt-metal, burned seal on the reverse *Ujiharu Nagasawa* With brocade storage bag and *tomobako* signed and sealed by the artist 8 1/4in (20.9cm) high

\$3,000 - 4,000

#### 3125

#### A MASK FOR THE NOH DRAMA: KO OMOTE (YOUNG GIRL) By Nagasawa Ujiharu (1912-2003), Showa Era (1912-1989), 20th century

Carved in wood and painted in polychrome pigments over gesso, burned seal on the reverse *Ujiharu Nagasawa* 

With brocade storage bag and tomobako signed and sealed by the artist 8 1/4in (20.9cm) high

\$3,000 - 5,000

#### 3126

#### A MASK FOR THE NOH DRAMA: ZO ONNA (YOUNG WOMAN) By Nagasawa Ujiharu (1912-2003), Showa era (1912-1989), 20th century

Carved in wood and painted in polychrome pigments over gesso, burned seal on the reverse *Ujiharu Nagasawa* 

With brocade storage bag and tomobako signed and sealed by the artist 8 1/4in (20.9cm) high

\$3,000 - 4,000







#### A MASK FOR THE NOH DRAMA: KO-OMOTE (YOUNG GIRL) Meiji (1868-1912) or Taisho (1912-1926)

era, early 20th century

Polychrome pigments and gesso over wood 8 3/8in (21.2cm) high

\$1,200 - 1,800

3128

# A MASK FOR THE NOH DRAMA: HANNYA (FEMALE DEMON)

Edo period (1615-1868), early 19th century

Carved in wood and painted in polychrome pigments and gilt over gesso, the eyes applied with gilt metal, burned seal *Yu* on the reverse, interior lacquered black 9 1/4in (23.4cm) high

\$1,800 - 2,200

3129

#### A GOLD LACQUER KODANSU (CABINET)

Edo period (1615-1868), early 19th century Rectangular and decorated with a continuous design of the garden and veranda of the Rokujo Mansion, lacquered in silver and gold takamaki-e with embellishments of muranashiji and kirigane, the top, front, left and back sides of the cabinet inlaid in solid gold with seven characters taken from a poem from "Hatsune" (The First Warbler), chapter 23 of Genji Monogatari (The Tale of Genji), the hinged doors opening to reveal three drawers decorated with autumnal plants and flowers, applied with silvered-metal mounts carved with scrolling foliage

With a wood storage box 41/4 in x 6 in x 4 3/8 in (10.8 cm x 15.2 cm x 11.1 cm)

\$10,000 - 15,000

3130

#### A WOOD HAGOITA (SHUTTLECOCK PADDLE) Edo period (1615-1868), 18th century

The wood paddle decorated in ink, polychrome pigments and gold over gesso with a scene of courtiers in a palace courtyard, the reverse with dancers and rice sheaves, the surounding areas decorated with a floral lattice pattern

With a wood storage box 16 3/8in (41.5cm) long

\$3,000 - 5,000













#### 3131

#### A LACQUER KOBAKO (BOX) WITH TRAY AND A KORO (INCENSE BURNER) Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th century

The covered box in the shape of a gourd and decorated in *iroe-takamaki-e*, *togidashi maki-e* and *hiramaki-e* with shell inlays against a *kinji* ground sprinkled with *hirame* with river fish and rocks beneath autumn maples, the interior fitted tray with a wine gourd beneath a maple branch hung with a paper strip, the interiors and underside *nashiji*, silver rims; the incense burner designed as a drum supported by three *karako* in gold and brown *mokume* and colored lacquer, the silver cover pierced with a dragon, gold *nashiji* underside and silver interior

3 1/2in (8.6cm) wide, the first; 3 1/4in (7.9cm) wide, the second

\$1,500 - 2,500

#### 3132

#### A GILT LACQUER KOBAKO (SMALL BOX) Meiji era (1869-1912), late 19th century

The rectangular lid decorated in silver and gold takamaki-e, hiramaki-e, gold kirikane, usu-nashiji with minute aogai accents on a kinji ground with a phoenix boat accompanied by a smaller boat with musical instruments gliding past rocky banks with pine, cherry and willow trees repeated on the sides, with silver edge bands, the interior and base dense gold nashiji

1 3/4 x 4 7/8 x 3 7/8in (4.8 x 12.4 x 10cm) **\$2,000 - 3,000** 

# PROPERTY FROM A SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA COLLECTION

3133

#### A MINIATURE GOLD LACQUER SHODANA (CABINET) Edo period (1615-1868), 19th century

The rectangular set of shelves set on four bracket feet and with four tiers of staggered shelves with one drawer and three compartments enclosed by sliding, hinged and removable doors, most decorated with sparrows and ducks amid seasonal foliage in gold and silver takamaki-e, hiramaki-e, kirigane and inlaid aogai and coral on a dense gold nashiji ground, the cabinet framework and raised rims of the doors and top tray-shaped shelf decorated in hirame, fundame rims With a wood storage box

5 1/4 x 7 1/4 x 3in (13.9 x 18.6 x 7.8cm) **\$2,500 - 3,000** 

#### Provenance

Previously sold Christie's New York, Japanese Works of Art, Sale #8602, March 19 1997, lot 120



A FINE SET OF LACQUER SUZURIBAKO (WRITING BOX) AND RYOSHIBAKO (DOCUMENT BOX)

#### Meiji era (1868-1912), circa 1900

Both boxes with beveled chiri-i (edges) and gold fundame rims, the edges with seaweed stems and leaves in gold hiramaki-e; the exteriors decorated in gold and silver togidashi maki-e with landscape scenes, the ryoshibako with hills and trees below Mount Fuji, the suzuribako with a scholar seated in a mountain pavilion beneath a snow-laden pine branch, an imitation half-worn painter's seal added in red lacquer; the interior of the ryoshibako lid with a square panel depicting a dragon and clouds in gold togidashi maki-e, the surrounding areas and interior gold mura-nashiji; the interior of the suzuribako lid with a square panel depicting two horses; the interior of the suzuribako fitted with a removable inner tray decorated with sea plants and shells in gold hiramaki-e, supporting a rectangular ink stone with gold fundame rims, the interiors okibirame on a roiro ground

9 3/8 x 8 5/8 x 1 7/8in (23.8 x 22 x 4.8cm); 14 5/8 x 11 x 4 3/4in (37.2 x 28 x 12.1cm)

\$10,000 - 15,000

Inro decorated with Kano-school landscape scenes imitating ink painting in this style of togidashi maki-e, sometimes referred to outside Japan as sumi-e togidashi ("ink-painting polished-out lacquering"), were first made around the end of the eighteenth century, but it was probably not until the mid-late Meiji era (1868-1912) that the style and technique were used on larger-format lacquers such as writing boxes, documents, and bundai (writing tables). A well-known example by Uematsu Hobi, exhibited at the 1900 Paris Exposition and now in the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, is decorated in a Kano style somewhat resembling the work of Hashimoto Gaho, a contemporary artist (see Anne Nishimura Morse and others, MFA Highlights: Arts of Japan, Boston, MFA Publications, 2008, p.209), but the present set, especially the writing box, seems to emulate the ink-painting of earlier centuries. This pictorial style of decoration became fashionable during the 1890s and is seen not only in lacquer but also in enamels, ceramics, and woven textiles.











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#### A SET OF THREE LACQUER DISHES Edo period (1615-1868), early 19th century

Graduated in size and set on a tall foot, each decorated in gold and silver *hiramaki-e* and *takamaki-e* with two carp swimming upstream and a dragon ascending a waterfall on a red lacquer ground, each signed *Shorissai* 

4 15/16in (12.5cm) diameter (the largest)

\$1,000 - 1,500

3136

# A LACQUER NATSUME (TEA CADDY) AND A MINIATURE DOCUMENT AND LETTER BOX SET

#### The miniature set by Zohiko, Taisho era (1912-1926)

The tea caddy of typical form and designed with a profusion of blossoms and maple leaves in several shades of gold and silver hiramaki-e and togidashi, the interior and underside hirame against a roiro ground; the box set each decorated with scenes of a willow bridge in gold and silver takamaki-e, hiramaki-e, kirigane, gold foil and gold nashiji, the interiors gold nashiji, each containing decorated papers. The boxes with a tomobako titled on hina kazari ryukyo maki-e shikishi hako tanzaku hako (miniature poem slip box and card box with willow and bridge for the Girls'-Day Festival), signed Heian Zohiko zo (made by Zohiko) and sealed

2 3/4in (6.9cm) high, the first; 3 x 3/4in (7.6 x 1.9cm) and 2 x 1 3/4in (5.1 x 4.5cm)

\$2,000 - 3,000



3138 (interior)



#### A LACQUER KODANSU (CABINET) Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th century

Rectangular with a drop front opening to reveal four drawers, decorated with a shaped central front panel of a mill and waterwheel by a stream in gold and silver hiramaki-e, takamaki-e, togidashi maki-e and kirigane, silver lacquer border, the exterior of the box lacquered in silver and gold togidashi maki-e and hirame in a mokume design, edges in fundame; the interiors with scattered cherry blossoms and hirame on a roiro ground; silver hardware carved with scrolling vines 8 x 12 x 9 1/2in (20.3 x 30.5 x 24.1cm)

\$5,000 - 7,000

#### A RINPA-STYLE INLAID LACQUER TEBAKO (COSMETIC BOX) After Ogata Korin, Edo Period (1615-1868), 18th century

Rectangular with rounded corners, the kinji ground embellished with sparse hirame and decorated with a stand of peonies rendered in bold relief gold and black lacquer, the foliage inlaid in mother-ofpearl, the design continuing to the sides of the box, the interior kinji with a Rinpa-style swirling wave pattern raised in relief, the underside inscribed in gold lacquer Seisei do Korin zo, pewter rims With wood storage box

6 5/8 x 9 1/8 x 5 1/8in (16.7 x 23.2 x 13cm)

\$12,000 - 18,000









# A FINE GOLD LACQUER TABAKO-BON (SMOKING SET) AND PIPE

#### Edo period (1615-1868), 19th century

Composed of a square lacquer case with slightly bowed sides and fitted with a silver handle, the upper housing holding a silver brazier with a domed cover pierced with clouds, the front of the case with two shallow and one deep drawer, the sides decorated with a scene of a Shinto shrine and the surrounding landscape with a torii gate, knotty pines and a large drum bridge, all lacquered in several shades of gold and silver hiramaki-e, takamaki-e and togidashi maki-e with kirigane, uchikomi and hirame embellishments, the housing around the brazier decorated on the exterior with the attributes of the Seven Lucky Gods and scrolling vines in iroe togidashi maki-e against a gold nashiji ground and the interior with tomoe (whorls) in gold and silver togidashi maki-e against a ground of hirame, the edges fundame and the interiors gold nashiji; silver hardware carved with scrolling vines on a nanako ground; the accompanying pipe cast in silver and decorated with a cormorant fisherman holding a net and a torch, his bird perched on stump by a rock basket, all rendered in iroe taka-zogan and katakiri-bori

8 1/4 x 8 1/4 x 9in (21 x 21 x 23cm)

\$18,000 - 25,000

Tobacco arrived in Japan sometime in the 16<sup>th</sup> century with Portuguese sailors and within decades of its introduction, it had caught on with underground and fringe members of society. *Kabukimono*, gangs of wild, disenfranchised members of the Samurai class adopted tobacco use as part of their image, the association eventually causing government officials to restrict the use of the substance. Despite repeated efforts to control it, the use of tobacco spread and associated artifacts and paraphernalia such as pipes (see lot 3113) became not only necessities for the smoker but items of luxury such as the present lot.





# A GOLD LACQUER BOX AND COVER Meiji era (1868-1912) or Taisho era (1912-1926), early 20th century

Decorated on the top and sides in silver and gold *takamaki-e*, *togidashi maki-e*, gold *hiramaki-e*, *kirigane* and gold *nashiji* with a misty view of Yoshino with pine groves and flowering cherry trees scattered over the hills and bordering a meandering stream encircling the lower section, with silver edge bands, the interior and base dense *nashiji* 

5 1/4 x 6 5/8 x 8 3/8in (13.3 x 16.8 x 21.4cm) **\$6,000 - 8,000** 

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# A PAIR OF LACQUER STORAGE BOXES AND COVERS

Edo period (1615-1868), early 19th century Set on four feet, the rectangular vessels designed with ribbed sides and a slightly overhanging cover, decorated with paulownia and chrysanthemums in gold and black hiramaki-e and takamaki-e against a gold nashiji ground, gilt-brass mounts carved with chrysanthemums and paulownia vines on a nanako ground; the interiors gold nashiji; with purple silk ties

13 5/8in (34.6cm) high

\$2,000 - 3,000



# PROPERTY FROM A SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA COLLECTION

3142

# A LACQUER SUZURIBAKO (WRITING BOX) Edo period (1615-1868) or Meiji era (1868-1912), mid-19th century

Of rounded rectangular shape designed in takamaki-e and hiramaki-e on a roiro and muranashiji ground with a flowering prunus tree bordered by a woven fence, the trunk brown lacquer, the blossoms gold and the nearby plants and rocks of gold and silver with hirame, kirigane and aogai accents, the underside of the lid with a bugaku headdress and flute within a brocade bag executed in gold takamaki-e, iro-e togidashi maki-e, kirigane and aogai on a similar ground scattered with gold maple leaves repeated on the removable implement tray centered by an inkstone below a silver mizuire (water-dropper) fashioned as two eggplants surmounted by a tiny cricket With a wooden storage box 1 1/2 x 7 1/8 x 8in (3.8 x 18.3 x 20.4cm) \$2,500 - 4,000

#### Provenance

Previously sold Christie's New York, Japanese Works of Art, Sale #8602, March 19 1997, lot 164

# PROPERTY FROM THE ABE GERCIK COLLECTION

3143

# A FINE HARDWOOD TRAY Taisho era (1912-1926)

Carved as a broad, insect-eaten leaf and a small snail, the underside and support designed as a section of coiling vine and smaller leaves; with an even, dark reddish-brown patina

17 1/4 in (44cm) long

\$4,000 - 6,000

3144

# A LARGE CARVED HARDWOOD TRAY Taisho era (1912-1926)

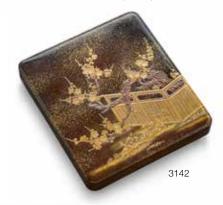
Carved with shallow, undercut sides, pierced in places and designed to resemble leaves and roots, the surface of the wood bearing a rich, reddish-brown patina with visible burls 27 1/2in (70.5cm) long

\$2,000 - 3,000





3142 (interior)













### **OTHER PROPERTIES**

3145

# A LARGE STONEWARE STORAGE JAR

Shigaraki ware, Muromachi period (1333-1573), 16th century The coil-built, irregularly shaped ovoid stoneware body with a hand-thrown mouth rim, the clay fired to light reddish-brown with areas of dark brown orange-brown hue, resulting from oxidation of the iron content, burn marks at the shoulder, occasional patches of greenish ash glaze around the neck and shoulders, numerous ishihaze (feldspar inclusions) 20 1/4in (51.3cm) high

\$8,000 - 12,000

For comparable examples published with photography by Domon Ken during the revival of interest in larger-scale Shigaraki wares in the postwar years, see Koyama Fujio and Kobayashi Hideo, *Shigaraki otsubo* (Shigaraki Large Jars), Tokyo, Chunichi Shinbun Shuppankyoku, 1965, pl. 1 (collection of Domon Jusei, eldest son of the photographer, Tokyo); pl. 8 (collection of Muneta Yasuo, Tokushima); and pl. 22 (collection of Masuda Kazuo, Kyoto). Rightly described by Louise Cort as "the apotheosis of the connoisseur's approach to medieval Shigaraki jars," this publication was followed shortly afterwards by an exhibition and sale of early Shigaraki at the Mitsukoshi Department Store, Tokyo, which touched off what Cort calls "the co-called Shigaraki boom of the late 1960s and early 1970s" (Louise Cort, *Shigaraki, Potter's Valley*, Tokyo, Kodansha International, 1979, p. 296). It is thanks to that boom that magnificent Shigaraki jars such as the present lot are occasionally available on the market today.







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3149

# A HAGI-STYLE TEA BOWL

# Attributed to Nonomura Ninsei (c.1574-1660/6)

The conical stoneware bowl with a tall, slightly flared foot, covered in a rich ash glaze, foot incised Ninsei

With brocade bag and wood storage box inscribed Korai (Goryeo) chawan 5 1/2in (14cm) wide; 3 1/2in (9cm) high

\$1,500 - 2,000

3147

# A KOREAN IRABO-STYLE TEA BOWL Edo period (1615-1868), 17th century

The steep sided stoneware bowl with a slightly flared mouth, decorated in layers of colored slip and ash glaze With unmarked wood storage box 5 1/2in (14cm) wide; 2 3/4in (7.1cm) high \$3,000 - 5,000

A similar Irabo katamiga chawan in the collection of the Ishikawa Prefectural Museum of Art is illustrated in Tani Akira and Shin Hangyun, Korai chawan: Chajin ni aisareta meiwan no tanjo (Korean Teabowls: The Origins of Teabowls Admired by Teamasters), Kyoto, Tankosha, 2008, pl. 29.

# 3148

# A BLACK SETO-WARE TEA BOWL

Momoyama (1573-1615) or Edo (1615-1868) period, 16th-17th century

Of hantsutsu form, applied with a thick black-brown glaze and raised on an irregular foot ring

With lacquered wood storage box 5 1/4in (13.3cm) wide; 3 5/8in (9.1cm) high

\$3,000 - 4,000

# Provenance

Mitsui Kasei (1850-1922), by repute

Mitsui Kasei was born Mitusi Takayasu, the fifth son of Mitsui Takayoshi (1808-1885), founder of the Mitsui conglomerate. Kasei was the President of Mitsui Bank from 1891-1920.

3149

# A BLACK ORIBE TEA BOWL

# Edo period (1615-1868), 17th century

Of kutsugata (clog-shaped) form, the lustrous thick black iron glaze with an ikat textile design in underglaze iron over white slip to one side, a second splash of white and vertical incised slash to the opposite side, the low foot unglazed

With wood storage box inscribed by the seventh generation tea master Horinouchi Soshin (1827-1896)

5 3/8 x 4 1/8 x 2 7/8in (13.7 x 10.4 x 7cm)

\$4,000 - 6,000



# A BLACK RAKU TEA BOWL Edo period (1615-1868), 18th century

Earthenware, hand-formed with straight sides and set on a ring foot, embellished with a finger-impressed design and covered in a lustrous black glaze with flashes of red, impressed seal on the body; with an old red-lacquer repair

With wood storage box 4 5/8in (10.7cm) diameter \$1,500 - 2,000

3151

# AN ORIBE FOLIATE DISH Momoyama period (1573-1615), early 17th century

The stoneware dish molded in the shape of a chrysanthemum and designed with facets along the rim and decorated with water plants in iron oxide, the body then covered with a white and brown iron-oxide slip, the line where they meet creating a translucent gray band, emulating the horizon, the underside with the remains of five sand pads; goldlacquer repairs

7 1/2in (19cm) diameter

\$5,000 - 7,000

3152

# A LARGE KO-KUTANI DISH

# Hizen ware, Ko-Kutani style, Edo period (1615-1868), mid-17th century

The circular bowl with a deep and wide well rising to slanted walls rising to a slightly raised rim and decorated in green, yellow, blue and aubergine enamels and red and black iron oxide with birds in flight and perched in a craggy pine tree growing from a rocky outcropping with blossoming chrysanthemums, the sides of the cavetto and the rim painted with a dense design of sake gourds with wave patterns against a ground of leaf blossoms punctuated with stylized auspicious emblems and bordered with cloud and coin designs, the underside decorated with cherry trees and young bamboo, the foot with a Fuku mark, four spur marks and a ring in underglaze blue With wood storage box

16in (40.6cm) diameter

\$60,000 - 80,000

For a similar work, see Ishikawa Kenritsu Bijutsukan (Ishikawa Prefectural Museum of Art), Kutani meihin zuroku: Ishikawa kenritsu bijutsukan shozo (Masterpieces of Kutani Ware: Treasury of Ishikawa Prefectural Museum of Art), Kanazawa, 2000, p. 38, pl. 26.

This dish is painted in the style of decoration known as gosai-de (multi-colored overglaze decoration) and was produced for a relatively short period in the Hizen area (present-day Saga Prefecture). Scholars believe that the collapse of porcelain production in China and the subsequent reduction in high-quality imported examples led to domestic production of similar and inspired wares.

For other examples of large gosai-de dishes, see Ishikawa Kenritsu Bijutsukan (Ishikawa Prefectural Museum of Art), Kutani meihin zuroku: Ishikawa kenritsu bijutsukan shozo (Masterpieces of Kutani Ware: Treasury of Ishikawa Prefectural Museum of Art), Kanazawa, 2000, p. 38, pl. 26; and Idemitsu Museum of Arts, Ko-Kutani, Tokyo, 2004, p. 38, no.10, and p. 56, no. 26 (in the collection of the MOA museum).













3154 (alternate view)

# A SMALL KUTANI DISH WITH MOLDED GINGER ROOT DESIGN AND ENAMEL DECORATION

# Hizen ware, Kutani style, Edo period (1615-1868), late 17th century

The shallow dish molded in the form of two striated leaves with an interior decoration of flowering chrysanthemum and rocks in green, yellow, aubergine, turquoise and black enamel, with an enamel saw-tooth band encircling the short foot and brown iron-oxide edged rim, the base with an enamel *fuku* cartouche

With an inscribed wooden storage box 6 1/4 x 4 1/4 x 1in (15.8 x 10.7 x 2.5cm)

\$1,500 - 2,500

3154

# A BLUE AND WHITE NABESHIMA MUKOZUKE (FOOD DISH)

Edo period (1615-1868), early 18th century

Set on a ring foot, almost cylindrical with very slightly everted sides, the porcelain body decorated in underglaze blue with a diagonally oriented design of a bamboo fence behind which grows a luxuriant stand of *hagi* (bush clover) 2 7/8in (7.2cm) high

\$10,000 - 15,000

# Exhibited

Herbert F. Johnson Museum of Art, Cornell University, Ithaca NY, October 17-November 25, 1973; Munson-Williams-Proctor Institute, Utica NY, December 16,1973-January 13 1974

# **Published**

Martie W. Young, Asian Art: A Collector's Selection, Ithaca NY, Cornell University, 1973, cat. no. 125

For a very similar example, see Kudo Yoshio (ed.), *Nabeshima-ten: Wagakuni yuiitsu no kan'yo Nabeshima, sono shitsugen kara shuen made* (Nabeshima Exhibition: Our Country's Only Officially Sponsored Kiln from Its Origins to the End), Imari, Nabeshima-ten Jikko linkai, 1996, cat. no. 130 and Nabeshima Han'yo Kenkyukai, Nabeshima han'yo: *Shutto toji ni miru gi to bi no hensen* (The Nabeshima-Domain Kilns: Technical and Stylistic Development Seen from Excavated Examples), Saga, 2002, p. 270.



3155 (underside)



# A RARE SET OF FIVE SMALL NABESHIMA DISHES

# Edo period (1615-1868), 18th century

Each dish set on a ring foot and decorated with peony blossoms floating on stylized waves in underglaze blue, iron-red, green and ochre enamels, the underside undecorated 4 1/2in (11.6cm) diameter; 1 1/2in (3.7cm) high

\$15,000 - 20,000

Nabeshima dishes of this diminutive size are rare. Sets of five dishes are more commonly found in 5 sun (15cm) and 7 sun (21cm) sizes. Dishes with an undecorated underside and foot are even more unusual, though numerous kiln shards are known to exist. For several examples of fragments of this exact size and decoration, see Nabeshima Han'yo Kinkyukai, Nabeshima Han'yo, Shutto Tojini Miru gi to bi no Hensen (The Nabeshima-Domain Kilns: Technical and Stylistic Development Seen from Excavated Examples), Saga, 2002, nos. 498, 499, fig. 79, p.140.

For another dish of similar size, see Hamano Nisei, ed., Iro Nabeshima, Tokyo, Asahi Shinbunsha, 1965, pl. 21.

For a complete dish with an undecorated underside, see Fukuoka City Museum, Kyushu Kotoji no Seika: Tanakamaru Korekushon no Subete (The Essence of Kyushu Ancient Ceramics: The Elaborate Collection of Tanakamaru), 2009, pl. 177-1.





# A FIGURAL HIRADO KOGO (INCENSE CONTAINER)

Edo period (1615-1868), 19th century
The porcelain vessel molded as a squirrel on a grape vine, the surface details lightly incised and covered in a clear glaze with a greenish tinge showing a richer intensity where the glaze has pooled around the grapes the eyes painted in underglaze blue, inscribed on the underside Hirado Mikawa With a wood storage box 5 1/2in (14.5cm) long \$2,500 - 3,500

3157

# A HIRADO FIGURAL EWER Edo period (1615-1868) or Meiji era (1868-1912), 19th century

Molded as a karako (Chinese child) seated in loose trousers and festive underglaze blue-decorated tunic of scattered clouds, his arms cradling a large pup, its open mouth serving as the spout and sash-like leash forming the handle 7 1/2in (19cm) high

\$3,000 - 4,000





3158 (alternate view)

# AN ARITA PORCELAIN WATER JAR **DECORATED WITH DUTCH FIGURES** Edo period (1615-1868), 17th-18th century

The ovoid body with a recessed base and decorated in underglaze blue with three roundels featuring Dutch traders or still lifes framed by bands formed by disintegrated Dutch inscriptions, a shippo tsunagi garland band suspended from the wide inverted mouth, now fitted with a black lacquer lid With unmarked wood storage box 5 1/4in (13.3cm) high [exclusive of lid] \$3,000 - 5,000

3159

# AN ENAMELED STONEWARE DISH Attributed to Ogata Kenzan (1663-1743), Edo period (1615-1868), 18th century

The shallow square dish with a crackle glaze and freely decorated in colored enamels with trailing ivy vines extending up the short sides, the exterior stamped with a green enamel shippo-tsunagi ribbon between iron-oxide bands on the rim and bevel of base, inscribed Kenzan on the flat base With two inscribed wood storage boxes, one black lacquer with gilt inscription 6 5/8 x 6 5/8 x 1in (16.8 x 16.9 x 2.5cm) \$6,000 - 8,000



3159 (top)



3159 (bottom)



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3160 (interior)

# A LARGE STUDIO WARE VASE

By Makuzu Kozan (1842-1916)

The bulbous form with a wide inverted mouth and decorated on the exterior in shades of underglaze blue with 21 butterflies of various size and pattern, the interior centered by flowering sprays, the signature *Makuzu Kozan sei* on the underside in an underglaze blue cartouche within an incised double-line border

10 5/8in (27cm) diameter; 6 1/4in (16cm) high

\$1,500 - 2,000

### 3161

# A LARGE STUDIO PORCELAIN VASE

By Okamoto Ryozan, Meiji era (1868-1912)

The elongated ovoid vase with an everted mouth and decorated in underglaze cobalt with a bold design of confronted dragons among clouds and emanating flames, all against a yellow ground, signed in a double rectangular cartouche *Tokoen Ryozan sei* 14in (35.5cm) high

\$5,000 - 7,000







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3164

# A PAIR OF SMALL SATSUMA VASES

# By Seikozan, Meiji era (1868-1912)

Each flattened, elongated ovoid vase set on splayed feet and decorated in polychrome enamels and gilt over a crackled glaze with large panels containing scenes of a magistrate inspecting a rice harvest, an elegant elderly gentleman holding a ladle of water, craftsmen at work, and a beauty and attendant beneath a trellis with trailing wisteria, the side panels variously decorated with men on a large anchor, an oxherd astride an ox playing a flute, a Shinto shrine maiden and a bull, and a man repairing fishing nets, the surrounding areas painted with geometric and floral designs, signed in gilt Seikozan 3 7/8in (9.8cm) high

\$1,500 - 2,500

#### 3163

# A SMALL SATSUMA VASE

# By Kozan, Meiji era (1868-1912)

The oval ring set on a splayed foot and with a cylindrical neck decorated in polychrome enamels and gilt over a crackled glaze with a procession of rabbits making their way towards the full moon in which a celestial hare pounds *mochi* (rice cakes), the reverse with groups of children among chrysanthemums, the outer edge painted with key frets and the inside with a band of flowers within geometric borders, the neck and foot with formal scroll, honeycomb and geometric bands, signed *Kozan sei* 

5 1/8in (12.9cm) high

\$3,000 - 5,000

#### Provenance

Previously sold these Rooms, March 19 2013, lot 2346.

#### 3164

# A SATSUMA RETICULATED KORO (INCENSE BURNER) AND COVER

# By Ryuun Fuzan, Meiji era (1868-1912)

Modeled as a cricket cage wrapped in a *furoshiki* (carrying cloth), and decorated in polychrome enamels and gilt on a clear crackle glaze with beauties and children among cherry trees and blossoming flowers, the pierced cage decorated with bands of floral lozenges, the cover with a chrysanthemum finial, signed *Ryuun Fuzan* 6 1/4in (16cm) high

\$2,500 - 3,500

#### Provenance

Previously sold in these Rooms, March 19 2013, lot 2336.

### 3165

# A LARGE SATSUMA TRAY

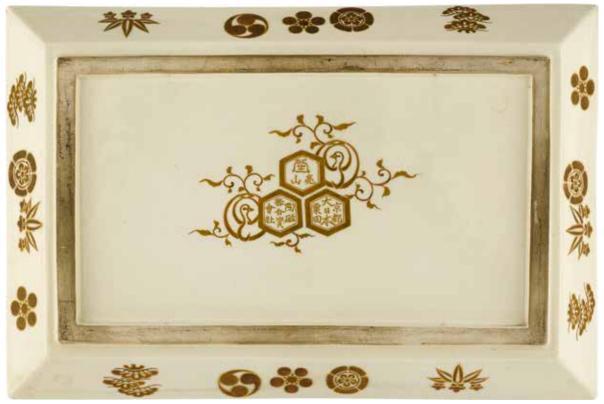
# By Okamoto Ryozan, Taisho era (1912-1926), circa 1918

The rectangular tray decorated in polychrome enamels and gilt on a clear cracked ground with a scene of revelers at the seaside with a temple compound in the distance, a few figures seated on daises enjoying the view as a crowd of children chase ducks, the edges with gilt brocade borders and decorated with a profusion of chrysanthemum blossoms, signed on the underside *Dai Nihon Kyoto, Tojiki Goshigaisha, Ryozan* and with the Yasuda company mark 17 3/4 x 12in (48.1 x 30.5cm)

\$15,000 - 20,000



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3165 (underside)







# 3166<sup>¤</sup>

#### A SATSUMA VASE

# By Kinkozan, Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th century

The compressed ovoid vase decorated in polychrome enamels and gilt on a cobalt ground with three shaped cartouches containing birds and flowers, a coastal landscape and a retinue of samurai, the surrounding area painted with geometric bands and sprays of ferns; impressed signature *Kinkozan zo* 

2 7/8in (6.8cm) high

\$800 - 1,200

#### 3167

# A SMALL SATSUMA KORO (INCENSE BURNER) Meiji era (1868-1912)

Painted in polychrome enamels and gilt on a clear crackled glaze and decorated with four oval panels containing scenes of people on excursions, Chinese children engaged in elegant pursuits, and blossoming seasonal plants, the surrounding areas designed with floral vines and geometric bands, silver domed cover pierced with a lozenge, signed on the underside Set[]en and sealed 3 x 3in (7.6 x 7.6cm)

\$1,500 - 2,000

# 3168

#### A SATSUMA JAR

# By Kinkozan, Meiji era (1868-1912)

The compressed ovoid vase with a narrow mouth, a slightly elongated neck and set on a ring foot decorated in polychrome enamels, gilt and silver over a clear, crackled glaze with shaped panels of flowers, birds and wisteria on a trellis, bordered by a "bamboo" frame raised in relief, the surrounding silver ground decorated with scrolling vines in two shades of silver, signed *Kinkozan tsukuru kore* and with impressed seal *Kinkozan 7 1/8in (18.1cm) high* 

\$1,000 - 1,500

#### Provenance

Previously sold in these Rooms, March 19 2013, lot 2339.







3169 (detail)

3169 (alternate view)

# A SATSUMA TEA-CLOTH CONTAINER By Yabu Meizan, Meiji era (1868-1912)

Cylindrical, set on tripod feet and painted in polychrome enamels and gilt over a clear, crackled glazed with a festival float and revelers at Kyoto's Gion festival, the foot and neck painted with geometric bands, signed in gilt Yabu Meizan

2 3/8in (6cm) high

\$1,500 - 2,500

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### TWO SATSUMA KORO (INCENSE BURNERS) AND A SATSUMA BOWL

# The koro by Gyokuzan, the bowl by Kozan, Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th century

Both koro decorated in polychrome enamels and gilt on a clear crackled glaze, the first compressed ovoid with three kidney-shaped panels containing morning glories, chrysanthemums behind a brushwood fence and cherry blossoms behind a curtain of state, panels connected by a band of lozenge patterns, the shoulder with a formal lappet band, pierced cover painted with a chrysanthemum surrounded by foliate scroll, signed in gilt Gyokuzan; the second set on tripod beast-mask feet with elephant-head handles and surmounted with a double-walled cover pierced with honeycomb pattern above a carved key-fret band, the vessel painted with peonies, the shoulder carved with an additional key-fret band, signed Satsuma Gyokuzan; the deep bowl painted in polychrome enamels and gilt on a clear crackle glaze on the exterior with four roundels containing beauties in interiors and landscapes, the surrounding area with peony blossoms raised slightly in relief among tightly scrolling vines and chrysanthemum heads punctuated by a geometric band and a border of lozenges and lappets and stiff leaf designs on the top and bottom, the interior with a delicately painted scene of butterflies against a gilt stipple whirlwind, a geometric swathe along the interior rim, signed in gilt Kozan

3 3/8in (8.5cm) high; 4 1/4in (10.3cm) high; 4 3/4in (12cm) diameter \$1,500 - 2,500







### A BRONZE MODEL OF QUAIL Taisho era (1912-1926)

Cast and carved as two quail with gilt highlights standing on a fitted bronze base with blossoming foliage in gilt metal, with a fitted lacquer stand With wood tomobako storage box inscribed Kinzokusei uzura okimono daitsuki Taisho shichinen nigatsu nijuhachinichi Hayama Goyotei omairi no toki Kogogu yori gohairyo 金属製鶉置物臺付大正七年二月廿八日葉山御用邸御参ノ時皇后宮ヨリ御 領 (Humbly received from the Empress on the occasion of her visit to Hayama Imperial Villa on February 28, seventh year of Taisho [1918]) and Showa jurokunen nigatsu nijuhachinichi Hi Masako Naishinno goinhin to shite...tomoe shirushi 昭和十六年二月廿八日妃昌子 親王御遺品として 巴印 ([Received from] the effects of Imperial Princess Masako on February 28, sixteenth year of Showa [1941], comma mark) 12 7/8in (32.8cm) wide

\$5,000 - 7,000

Located on the east coast of Sagami Bay in the Miura Peninsula, the Hayama Imperial Villa, mentioned in the box inscription, was a favorite residence of the Taisho Emperor, who died there in 1926. The Imperial family traditionally used the villa during the low season for tourism, in February and March. The villa was burned down in 1971. Princess Masako (1888-1940), was the sixth daughter of the Meiji Emperor. She was famous for her charitable work, especially for wounded soldiers of the imperial army.

#### 3172

### A BRONZE MODEL OF AN OWL

# By the Seiya workshop, Meiji era (1868-1912)

Cast and carved in bronze as an owl perched on a stump, the feathers realistically finished and the eyes inlaid in glass, the separately cast stand designed to resemble the rough texture of of an old tree stump, signed on the reverse in a rectangular reserve Seiya chu
10 5/8in (27cm) high

\$2,000 - 3,000

3173

# A PATINATED BRONZE MODEL OF A KESTREL Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th century

The bird of prey about to descend from its naturalistic tree-trunk perch with its wings outstretched, its head slightly lowered and with fierce expression heightened by gilt-accented eyes, cast in five separate sections with an opening to the back ostensibly for incense 30 5/8in (78cm) high

\$1,000 - 2,000



# A FINE AND LARGE BRONZE MODEL OF AN IMMORTAL By Kunitoshi for the Miyao studio, Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th century

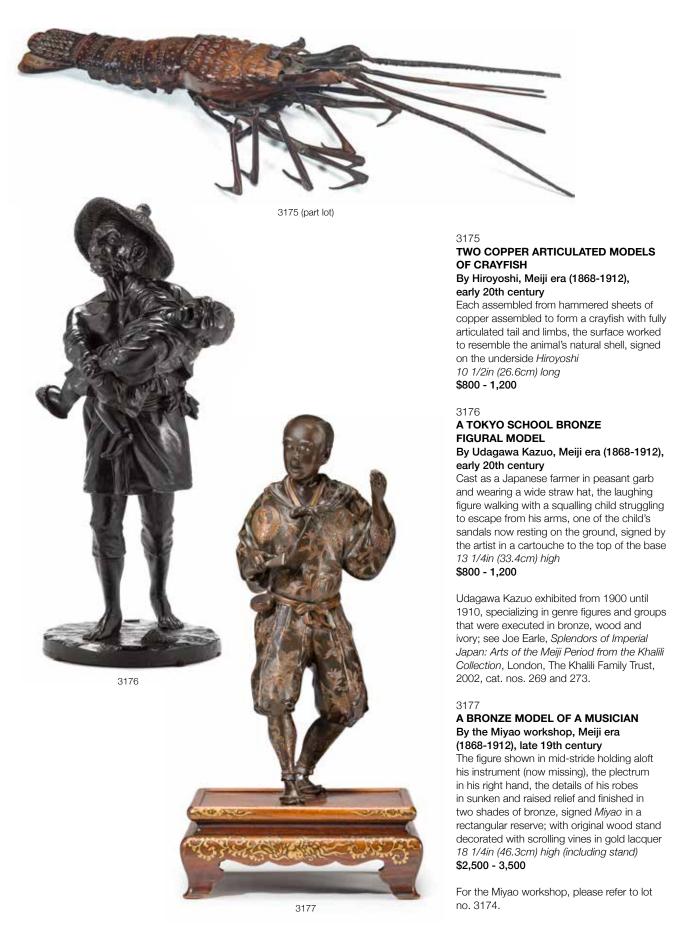
Cast as a bearded immortal standing and leaning slightly to the left leaning into a gust of wind which has blown the hat from his head, his robes fluttering, the surface carved in fine detail with serpentine dragons in clouds decorating the robes, the woven hat adorned with a fabric rim designed with floral vines in raised and sunken relief, a reishi fungus and feather fan slung from his waist and a crooked staff in his left hand, signed on the reverse in a rectangular reserve Dai Nihon Miyao zo Kunitoshi saku, patinated in two shades of brown; set on the original hardwood stand decorated with stylized dragon and phoenix in gold hiramaki-e

25 5/8in (65.1cm) high (including base)

\$20,000 - 30,000

The Miyao Company, owned and managed by Miyao Eisuke of Yokohama, was among the most successful art workshops of the Meiji era, specializing in mostly large-scale bronze and gilt images of warriors and mythological subjects. Much of the company's production was aimed at the export market and its wares were exhibited at the Kangyo Hakurankai (National Industrial Expositions) in 1881 and 1890.







3178 (detail)

# A PAIR OF INLAID BRONZE SLENDER **HANDLED VASES**

By Chikaharu, Meiji era (1868-1912)

Both vases supported on four tall stylized legs in the form of mythological creatures, elaborately inlaid in gold, shakudo and bronze hira-zogan with a matching design of a fanciful peacock carrying in its beak a tassel floret above a bulbous section decorated with dragon roundels inlaid in gold on a honeycomb-patterned ground, the shoulder applied with archaic bracket handles, each with removable bronze liner, the base of both vases signed Chikaharu saku; with wood storage box 12 3/4in (32.5cm) high

\$4,800 - 5,500

#### Provenance

Previously sold Bonhams, London, November 6 2014, lot 400.

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#### A BRONZE VASE

By Oshima Joun (1858-1940), Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th-early 20th century Of ovoid form and worked on the surface

with a snail on a gourd attached to a leafy vine, all in high relief, signed on the underside Joun saku

With fitted wood stand, storage bag and wood tomobako storage box inscribed Chudo hisago chokoku kabin 鋳銅瓢彫刻花瓶(Castbronze flower vase sculpted with a gourd) and signed Ichijoken Joun saku 一 軒如雲作 (Made by Ichijoken Joun) with seal Joun no in 如雲之印 (Seal of Joun)

8 1/2in (21.8cm) high

\$3,500 - 4,500

A professor at Tokyo School of Art from 1887 until 1932, Oshima Joun was one of the most celebrated bronze-casters of the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. He exhibited at several of the great international expositions of the era, including Paris (1900), St. Louis (1904) and London (1910).







# AN INLAID BRONZE VASE AND COVER By the Nogawa company of Kyoto, Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th century

Of oval section with a tapered foot and decorated with a continuous design of a rooster and chicks beneath a blossoming cherry tree and a stand of hibiscus blooms with butterflies designed in iroe-taka-zogan and carved on the surface in sunken and raised relief, the domed cover decorated with butterflies and flowering vines and fitted with a camellia finial, the underside with the mark of the Nogawa workshop 6 1/8in (15.6cm) high

\$2,000 - 3,000

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# A BRONZE VASE WITH MIXED-METAL DECORATION By Miyabe Atsuyoshi, Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th century

Of ovoid form with a tapered foot, boldly decorated with a stand of irises and a swallow in high relief silver, copper, shibuichi, shakudo and gold, signed on the underside Dai Nihon Kyoto no ju Ikkodo Miyabe Atsuyoshi with a kao

7 1/4in (8.4cm) high

\$2,500 - 3,500

For another work by this Kyoto-based artist, a pupil of Shinoyama Atsuoki (1813-1891), see Oliver Impey, Malcolm Fairley and Victor Harris, Meiji no Takara, Treasures of Imperial Japan, Metalwork Part II [in the Khalili Collection]. London: Kibo Foundation, 1995, cat. no. 93.

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# A PAIR OF BRONZE VASES WITH MIXED METAL DECORATION By Jomi Eisuke, Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th-early 20th century

Of elongated ovoid form with everted mouth and set on a splayed foot, decorated with three shaped panels of butterflies among blossoming flowers, the neck with a stiff-leaf band, the foot and shoulder with lappet borders, all in iroe taka-zogan, sealed on the underside Jomin

10 3/4in (27.3cm) high

\$3,000 - 5,000

3183

#### A LARGE INLAID BRONZE VASE

# By the Seiya workshop, Meiji era (late 19th century)

The baluster vase applied in high relief with patinated bronze inlays including a caparisoned elephant, a tethered hawk on a perch, a vase with iris decoration and various large archaic Chinese-style vases, signed on the underside Seiya saku

26in (66cm) high

\$15.000 - 20.000

For a similar vase with decoration of archaic Chinese bronzes, see Joe Earle, Flower Bronzes of Japan, London, Michael Goedhuis, 1995, cat. no. 22, in the Perry Foundation Collection.

3184

# AN INLAID BRONZE STANDING SCREEN

By Toshiyoshi, Meiji era (1868-1912)

Framed in wood with copper hardware chased with floral scrolls and set on two carved bracket feet, the panel with a large heron alighting on a gnarled stump among blossoming lotus with a frog and a sparrow in flight, all in copper, bronze and with gilt embellishments, signed Toshiyoshi and sealed Gyokkosai

63 3/4in (161.9cm) high \$4,000 - 5,000



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# A SMALL BRONZE HEXAGONAL KORO (INCENSE BURNER) Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th century

The octagonal vessel cast in bronze and finished on the surface to resemble wood grain, each corner embellished with shakudo inlaid "butterfly" joins, the silver domed cover pierced with a poppy and a cherry floret, removable silver ash basin, set on four bracket feet, illegibly sealed Haku[]

2 1/4in (5.7cm) high

\$1,200 - 1,800

#### 3186

### A CIRCULAR BRONZE BOX AND COVER

By Inoue of Kyoto, Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th century Designed in the form of a drum, decorated on the cover with a snowflake-shaped panel of Minamoto no Tametomo seated as two South Sea Islanders struggle to take his bow, the details rendered in iroe taka-zogan, hira-zogan, takabori and kebori, signed on the underside Saikyo Inoue zo

4 3/4in (12.1cm) diameter

\$1,500 - 2,500

#### 3187

# A HEXAGONAL IRON BOX WITH MIXED METAL INLAY Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th century

Of dark brown hue with high-relief gold, silver, and copper accents, the fitted lid cast in low relief with two stalks of bamboo with leaf sprays picked out in gold and framing a partially obscured full moon in silver, the two inlaid gold seals reading Akira and Takebayashi 4in (10.2cm) wide

\$2,000 - 3,000

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#### 3188

### A SILVER TOBACCO BOX AND COVER

# By Shukyo, Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th century

Rectangular, set on bracket feet and designed with Hotei carrying his treasure sack in a pine grove, the figure carved in high relief and finished in shibuichi, gold and matte silver, the landscape carved in katakiribori and kebori and highlighted with an ishime finish, signed on the cover Shukyo koku and on the underside Shigemitsu and with a kao and stamped jungin

With wood tomobako storage box titled, signed and sealed by the artist 3 1/2 x 5 1/8 x 1 3/4in (9 x 13 x 4.5cm)

\$4,000 - 6,000

#### **OTHER PROPERTIES**

#### AN INLAID-IRON BOX AND COVER

# By Komai of Kyoto, Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th century

Rectangular, set on bracket feet and decorated in gold and silver nunome-zogan, the hinged cover with a rectangular panel containing a scene of Lake Kawaguchi with a boat under full sail before a temple and Mount Fuji in the distance, the surrounding areas with repeated flower blossoms, the sides of the box with sparrows in flight, interior carved with scenes of birds and flowers, signed on the underside Nihonkoku Kyoto no ju Komai sei in a double-square reserve below the dragonfly company mark

3 1/4 x 4 7/8 x 1 7/8in (8.3 x 12.3 x 4.7cm)

\$2,500 - 3,500



3188 (detail)







# A SMALL KOMAI-STYLE DISH

### Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th-early 20th century

Circular and set on tripod feet and decorated on the surface in gold and silver *nunome-zogan* interlocking circular panels containing a pavilion on a shoreline and blossoming plants, each panel bordered by geometric designs against a ground of further geometric patterns, rim with a band of grape vines

3 3/4in (12cm) diameter

\$1,000 - 1,500

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# A KOMAI-STYLE DISH

# Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th-early 20th century

The circular iron dish with a lobed edge and decorated in Komai-style inlays in gold and silver *nunome-zogan* with a floret-shaped panel containing a central hexagonal design of a fishing village among pine, willow and cherry trees, the "flower petals" and "leaves" bordering the design and the surrounding areas decorated with a variety of geometric patterns

7 1/4in (18.5cm) diameter

\$2,000 - 3,000



3192 (detail)



# AN IRON AND MIXED-METAL EGG-FORM FUTAMONO (LIDDED ORNAMENT)

### Probably by Kanagawa Masaaki, Meiji era (1868-1912), 1880s

The iron body raised on three maple-leaf supports and decorated in chiseling and high relief of shakudo, gold, and silver on the cover with three cranes amid flowering peony, bamboo, hagi (bush clover, Lespedeza bicolor) and other plants partially obscuring a distant snow-capped Mount Fuji and crags on the left, the lower section with a small frog, insects, and water plants, the interior lined with silver, signed in bold characters on an ornate gold plague Masaaki 4 3/4 x 4 1/4 x 6 1/8in (12.3 x 10.9 x 15.6cm)

\$30,000 - 50,000

The style of this piece suggests the middle years of the Meiji era and the artist may perhaps be identified with Kanagawa Masaaki of Sumiyoshi-cho, Nihonbashi, Tokyo who exhibited several works with high-relief metal decoration at the Second Naikoku Kangvo Hakurankai (National Industrial Exhibition) held in 1881. These included a flower vase with butterflies and autumn plants in gold and silver, another with cherry and maple in gold and silver, and an octagonal incense box with Chinese lanterns (see Tokyo Kokuritsu Bunkazai Kenkyūjo [Tokyo National Research Institution of Cultural Properties], Naikoku kangyo hakurankai bijutsuhin shuppin mokuroku [Catalogs of Objects Exhibited at the National Industrial Expositions], Tokyo, Chuokoron Bijutsu Shuppan, 1996, pp. 114, 116, 117).





3193 (detail)

3193 (detail)





### A CAST-IRON SAKE EWER WITH CHAMPLEVÉ-ENAMEL COVER Attributed to Onishi Josetsu (1777-1852), c. 1830-1844

Of standard choshi form, with curved base resting on three integral feet rising to a wide top with partially open spout, the hinged handle powerfully modeled, the cast and chiseled inset copper-alloy cover decorated in champlevé enamels, stippling, and gilt with an omodaka (water plantain, Sagittaria trifolia) and waves

With a fitted wood tomobako (storage box) inscribed Itome nabegata kannabe migi mono Tenpo nenjidai Josetsu saku muqi mono nari tsuchinoto-mi moka no hi onkamashi Onishi Jocho 糸目 鍋形間鍋 右者天保年時代 雪作 無疑者也 己巳 孟夏日 御釜師 大西浄長 (A cauldronshaped kannabe with cloth texture made in the Tenpo period (1830-1844) by Josetsu. This is without doubt a genuine work. Kettle-master Onishi Jocho, April 1929) with seal Onishi 大西 6 3/4in (17.2cm) long; 5 1/2in (14cm) high

\$2,500 - 3,500

This type of kettle was used during the later Edo period (1615-1868) for warming sake during the coldest months of the year; a comparable example, also with enameled lid, is in the collection of the Victoria and Albert Museum (inv. no. 502& A-1894).

Onishi Josetsu was tenth master of the Onishi, a Kyoto family of iron-casters known for classic chagama (kettles) for the tea ceremony and later for other wares such as the present lot; for a kettle by Teirin, an earlier member of the family, in the Richard and Peggy Danziger collection, see Amy G. Poster and others, Crosscurrents: Masterpieces of East Asian Art from New York Private Collections, New York, Japan Society, 1999, cat. no. 33. Josetsu's grandson Jocho is well known not only as a caster of iron kettles but also as a connoisseur and authenticator of earlier pieces.

The excellent quality of the modeling, casting, and patination fully supports Jocho's attribution, while the lid is of great interest as a datable example of Japanese enameling in the decades immediately preceding the rapid development of the craft during the Meiji era (1868-1912); by the early nineteenth century enameling had become part of Japan's decorative arts tradition, with a particular emphasis on smaller items such as sword furniture and door handles. The prominent use of the omodaka motif suggests that this piece might have been commissioned by one of the several Daimyo families that used the omodaka as their mon (heraldic crest).

# AN INLAID-IRON TETSUBIN (KETTLE) Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th century

Forged, carved on the surface and decorated in taka-zogan of silver, gold and shakudo with birds in flight over blossoming peonies and a rushing stream, the handle and matching cover decorated with floral vines in silver inlays, fitted with a dark wood bead finial 7in (17.8cm) high (including handle) \$7,000 - 9,000

# AN INLAID-IRON TETSUBIN (KETTLE) WITH AN EN-SUITE INLAID COVER Meiji era (1868-1912)

The iron vessel of slightly conical form with rounded edges and a stepped collar and decorated in silver and gold nunomezogan with two shaped panels containing a landscape with temple and shrine complex, a sun rising over distant hills and temple gate in the foreground, and a mantis on a dew-covered stand of blossoming autumn plants, the collar decorated with geometric and floral patterns, the circular fitted cover designed with twelve auspicious symbols arranged around the edge of the cover encircling a seal-form signature and surmounted with a bead finial decorated with chrysanthemum florets, the loop handle inlaid with flowering vines, sealed on the body below the spout 8 1/2in (21.6cm) high

\$20,000 - 30,000



3195 (detail)



3195 (detail)





3195 (reverse)



# A LARGE AND RARE MORIAGE AND GINBARI CLOISONNÉ-ENAMEL VASE By Ota Hyozo, Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th century

The compressed ovoid vase designed in transparent colored enamels and silver wire over a stippled silver ground with tendrils of blossoming wisteria, the face of the vase further decorated with a pair of swallows in opaque black and white enamels in moriage technique, silvered mounts, underside with impressed mark of Ota Hyozo 12in (30.5cm) high

\$4,000 - 5,000

Ota Hyozo opened his own studio in 1864 and was active until 1910, see Frederic T. Schneider, The Art of Japanese Cloisonné Enamel; History, Techniques and Artists, 1600 to the Present, Jefferson NC, McFarland, 2010, p. 24.

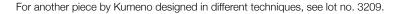


# A FINE TOMEI JIPPO (BASSE-TAILLE) AND MORIAGE CLOISONNÉ-ENAMEL VASE By Kumeno Teitaro (1861-1939), Meiji era (1868-1912), circa 1905

The elongated ovoid vase decorated with a kestrel on a rock on a rushing stream watching as a frightened sparrow flees, all worked in polychrome enamels and silver wire and in musen ("wireless") techniques, the surrounding areas designed in transparent enamels of robin'segg blue and yellow over a silver substrate carved with rushing waves, cherry blossoms and bamboo leaves, the kestrel, rocks and large crashing waves in *uchidashi* (hammered-up) relief, signed in the silver substrate on the body Kumeno zo and with the stamped mark of the Kumeno workshop on the underside, silver mounts

5 1/8in (13cm) high \$8,000 - 10,000

Kumeno Teitaro was considered a master in the use of transparent enamels and the present small vase, a tour-de-force of enamelling, illustrates his facility in a range of techniques, all employed on the same piece. On a solid silver body, the artist carved the basis of the scene. He then created a sense of three-dimensionality by hammering up some sections in relief in repoussé technique, over which he applied standard wired and wireless cloisonné enamels, no small technical challenge in itself. Lastly, the transparent enamels covering the surrounding areas, changing gradually in intensity and color throughout, required an additional separate firing. Each of these processes was time consuming and costly.







3197 (details)





# A PAIR OF WIRELESS CLOISONNÉ-ENAMEL VASES By the Gonda workshop, Taisho era (1868-1912), early 20th century

The slender baluster vases with square shoulders and slightly elongated neck worked in colored enamels in *musen* ("wireless") technique with a continuous design of purple and white irises, some shrouded in mist, the stems and leaves rising from a ground of green and the blossoms set against a pale blue ground gradually growing in intensity toward the top, mounts copper, signed on the underside with the impressed mark of the Gonda workshop 14in (35.5cm) high

\$3,000 - 4,000

Born Hayashi Hirosuke, Gonda Hirosuke was adopted into the Gonda family in 1887 and was trained by the great Hayashi Kodenji of Nagoya. He won medals at exhibitions throughout the late nineteenth and early twentieth century and remained active during the Taisho era, working with his son Jumatsu from 1910 (see Frederic T. Schneider, *The Art of Japanese Cloisonné Enamel: History, Techniques and Artists: 1600 to the Present*, Jefferson NC, McFarland, 2010, pp 120-121.)

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# A LARGE PAIR OF CLOISONNÉ-ENAMEL VASES Attributed to the workshop of Hayashi Kodenji (1831-1915), Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th century

The high shouldered vases with everted rims and decorated with complimentary designs of raptors perched in cherry trees closely watching sparrows in flight, all designed in polychrome enamels and silver and gold wire against a midnight-blue ground, some of the details of the tree trunks worked in sculpted wire, the foot and rim decorated with a band of floral lappets, silver mounts, the foot rim stamped silver 12 3/8in (31.4cm) high

\$5,000 - 7,000

# A FINE AND LARGE CLOISONNÉ-ENAMEL VASE

# By the Shibata workshop of Kyoto, Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th century

The elongated ovoid vase tapering to the base, set on a splayed foot and finished with a tall neck all worked in polychrome enamels and silver wire with a continuous design of a rooster, hen and chicks before a large stand of peonies and other assorted flowers, and sparrows in flight, all against a black ground, the rim decorated on the side and upper surface with tightly scrolling floral vines against a mustard ground above linked floral roundels, the foot decorated in a similar fashion, silver mounts, signed on a silver tablet on the foot Kyoto Shibata 13 3/4in (34.9cm) high

# \$12,000 - 18,000

This large vase is very much in the style of works by Namikawa Yasuyuki (see, for example, Oliver Impey, Malcolm Fairley and Victor Harris, Meiji no Takara, Treasures of Imperial Japan, Enamel [in the Khalili Collection]. London: Kibo Foundation, 1995, cat. no. 16.) The shape and choice of color scheme against a glossy black ground and even the signature on a silver tablet, are all typical of Namikawa's pieces. However, the decoration around the top of the rim and the foot are more typically seen on examples attributed to Shibata. Shibata (last name unknown) appears to have had some connection to Namikawa, though there is much argument as to how the two were related. Some believe Shibata was at one time employed by Namikawa and later branched out to open his own independent workshop.



3200 (detail)











3201 (detail)





3202 (detail)

# A CLOISONNÉ-ENAMEL SCENT BOTTLE By Namikawa Yasuyuki (1845-1927), Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th century

Of elongated oval section and designed in polychrome enamels and silver and gilt wire with panels of a stylized phoenix and floral vines, and a butterfly alighting on a stand of chrysanthemums, the surrounding areas decorated with floral lozenges and the foot with a stiff leaf band, gilt brass mounts, signed on the base *Kyoto Namikawa* 2 7/16in (5.8cm) high

\$5,000 - 7,000

### 3202

# A MINIATURE CLOISONNÉ-ENAMEL VASE By Namikawa Yasuyuki (1845-1927), Meiji era (1868-1912), late 19th century

Worked in colored enamels and sculpted silver wire with a lone butterfly and Chinese pinks against a black ground, the mounts silver, impressed signature *Kyoto Namikawa* on the foot 3 5/8in (9.2cm) high

\$2,500 - 3,500



# A FINE CIRCULAR CLOISONNÉ-ENAMEL KOGO (INCENSE BOX) By Namikawa Yasuyuki (1845-1927), Meiji era (1868-1912), circa 1905

Circular with a domed cover and decorated in two shades of blue, ox-blood red and white enamels and sculpted silver wire with a continuous design of crashing waves with flecks of foam, the body of the waves turning from a blue to green in musen ("wireless") technique, the interior white enamel, gilt-silver rims, signed on the interior in a silver-foil reserve covered in transparent green enamel Kyoto Namikawa

2 5/16in (5.9cm) diameter

\$15,000 - 25,000

For a set of nearly identifical boxes, see Namikawa Yasuyuki Kinenkan (Namikawa Cloisonné Museum of Kyoto), Shippo: Namikawa Yasuyuki Kinenkan Kanzohin Zuroku (Enamels: Pieces from the Permanent Collection), Kyoto, 2010, nos. 12, 45, 46 and 70, p. 53.



3203 (detail)



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# A PAIR OF CLOISONNÉ-ENAMEL VASES AND ANOTHER CLOISONNÉ-ENAMEL VASE

All by the Daikichi workshop, Meiji era (1868-1912)

The faceted pair with a slender neck and flared mouth worked in colored enamels and silver wire with matching designs of blossoming cherry, various flowers and young bamboo by a woven fence, all against a black ground, the foot and mouth banded with a stiff leaf pattern, gilt-metal mounts, signed on underside Daikichi; the slender cylindrical vase tapering slightly to the foot and decorated with birds in a blossoming cherry tree in colored enamels and silver wire against an unusual dark green ground, the foot and rim decorated with floret lozenges, copper mounts, signed on the underside Daikichi 6in (15.2cm); 6 1/8in (15.5cm) high \$1,800 - 3,500

#### 3205

# A CLOISONNÉ ENAMEL CIGARETTE BOX AND COVER

Attributed to the Ando workshop, Taisho era (1912-1926), early 20th century

Of rectangular form and designed in white and several shades of gray wireless enamel, with a scene of Mount Fuji partially obscured by clouds, silver rims and brocade lining  $4 \times 5 \frac{1}{4} \times 2 \frac{3}{16in} (10.1 \times 13.3 \times 5.6cm)$  \$1,500 - 2,000

#### 3206

# AN ENAMELLED COPPER VASE By the Ando workshop, Meiji (1868-1912) or Taisho (1912-1926) era, early 20th century

The compressed ovoid body hammered on the surface and decorated with a design of a willow and blossoming cherry tree and a poem all in colored enamels, signed on the underside *Ando sei* and with the Ando company mark

7 1/2in (19cm) high

\$1,000 - 1,500

### 3207

# A LARGE CLOISONNÉ-ENAMEL HUMIDOR

By Kawade Shibataro (1856-1921), for the Ando Cloisonné Company, Meiji era (1868-1912), circa 1905

The cylindrical vessel slightly waisted, set on a splayed foot and fitted with a flat cover surmounted by a silver knop and decorated with an overall design of grapes and insecteaten leaves on a vine, peaches, a gourd, string beans and a large grasshopper perched on eggplants, all worked in silver wire and polychrome enamels raised in *moriage*, the mounts silver, signed on the underside in wire *Kawade* within the Ando company mark 8in (20.3cm) high (including finial); 6 5/8in (16.7cm) diameter

# \$8,000 - 12,000

The signature on the underside of this piece is evidence of an association between Kawade Shibataro and the workshop of Ando Jubei, though the precise nature of the relationship remains unclear. After achieving some degree of success and international recognition in his own factory, Shibata joined the Ando workshop in 1900 and continued to be one of Ando's principal craftsmen until 1910 when he resigned. During his tenure with Ando he is credited with the development of several key enameling techniques, such as *moriage* and plique-a-jour. His importance within the Ando organization is borne out by the fact that, among the craftsmen employed by Ando, only Shibata's name appears in conjunction with the company mark (see Frederic T. Schneider, *The Art of Japanese Cloisonné Enamel: History, Techniques and Artists: 1600 to the Present*, Jefferson NC, McFarland, 2010, pp 123-124.)



3207 (detail)





3207 (alternate view)





3208 (detail)

3208 (cover)





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# A FINE CLOISONNÉ-ENAMEL INCENSE BURNER By Ando Jubei, Meiji era, (1868-1912), circa 1909

Cylindrical and set on tripod feet and worked in *musen* ("wireless") and standard cloisonné enamels and sculpted silver wire with young bamboo shoots and leaves in various shades of green, the leaves pale green and gradually turning to yellow at the tips, all against a ground of even, pale moss green, the silver cover enameled with a design of a fern on a cut wood block with growth rings in shades of brown "wireless" enamels, the fern in graduated greens and *moriage* (relief) and pierced in the spaces between the tendrils, rims and foot silver, the underside inscribed *Junen kinen* (Tenth anniversary) in a pink enamel cherry-floret reserve

With wood tomobako storage box inscribed Kobe Takenaka shiten kaigyo junen kinenhin Meiji tsuchinoto-tori toji Ando Jubei sei 神 竹中支店開業十年記念品昭和己酉冬至安藤重兵衛製 (Made by Ando Jubei to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the opening of the Kobe branch of Takanaka, winter solstice of the tsuchinoto-tori of Meiji [1909]), with a seal 4 11/16in (12cm) high

\$10,000 - 15,000

This incense burner was produced to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the opening of the Kobe branch of the Takenaka Corporation (Takenaka Komuten), Japan's oldest construction firm. In 1899 Takenaka Toemon, the fourteenth-generation descendant of the company's founder Takenaka Tobei Masataka, expanded the firm's holdings to include an operation in Kobe that could facilitate construction of brick and steel-reinforced concrete structures. The Kobe branch became the head office of the firm in 1909, though the inscription indicates it was still a branch office at this time. Takenaka Komuten is responsible for many of Japan's most important buildings including the iconic Tokyo Tower, built in 1958.

The theme of young bamboo was undoubtedly selected by Ando in keeping with the company's name, meaning literally "in bamboo".





3209 (details)



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# A FINE CLOISONNÉ-ENAMEL COVERED BOX IN THE FORM OF A COTTAGE By Kumeno Teitaro (1861-1939), circa 1900

The box and cover designed as a rustic cottage with a thatched roof, all worked in standard and moriage (relief) cloisonne techniques using colored enamels and sculpted silver wire, each side of the box finished with architectural elements including shoji (sliding doors) open to reveal the interior, and windows, lattice fence and the surrounding garden, the roof rendered in highrelief moriage resembling the rough texture of the thick thatch, the underside finished in nashiji lacquer, all set on bracket feet, interior lined with pale green silk, silver rims with the stamped mark of the Kumeno workshop

4 x 5 x 4in (10.2 x 12.3 x 10.2cm)

\$20,000 - 30,000

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# **CONDITIONS OF SALE**

The following Conditions of Sale, as amended by any published or posted notices or verbal announcements during the sale, constitute the entire terms and conditions on which property listed in the catalog shall be offered for sale or sold by Bonhams & Butterfields Auctioneers Corp. and any consignor of such property for whom we act as agent. If live online bidding is available for the subject auction, additional terms and conditions of sale relating to online bidding will apply; see <a href="www.bonhams.com/WebTerms">www.bonhams.com/WebTerms</a> for the supplemental terms. As used herein, "Bonhams," "we" and "us" refer to Bonhams & Butterfields Auctioneers Corp.

- 1. As used herein, the term "bid price" means the price at which a lot is successfully knocked down to the purchaser. The term "purchase price" means the aggregate of (a) the bid price, (b) a PREMIUM retained by us and payable by the purchaser EQUAL TO 25% OF THE FIRST \$100,000 OF THE BID PRICE, 20% OF THE AMOUNT OF THE BID PRICE ABOVE \$100,000 UP TO AND INCLUDING \$2,000,000, AND 12% OF THE AMOUNT OF THE BID PRICE OVER \$2,000,000, and (c) unless the purchaser is exempt by law from the payment thereof, any California, Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Massachusetts, Nevada, New York, Pennsylvania, Texas, Washington, D.C., Washington state, or other state or local sales tax (or compensating use tax) and other applicable taxes.
- 2. On the fall of the auctioneer's hammer, the highest bidder shall have purchased the offered lot in accordance and subject to compliance with all of the conditions set forth herein and (a) assumes full risk and responsibility therefor, (b) if requested will sign a confirmation of purchase, and (c) will pay the purchase price in full or such part as we may require for all lots purchased. No lot may be transferred. Any person placing a bid as agent on behalf of another (whether or not such person has disclosed that fact or the identity of the principal) may be jointly and severally liable with the principal under any contract resulting from the acceptance of a bid.

Unless otherwise agreed, payment in good funds is due and payable within five (5) business days following the auction sale. Whenever the purchaser pays only a part of the total purchase price for one or more lots purchased, we may apply such payments, in our sole discretion, to the lot or lots we choose. Payment will not be deemed made in full until we have collected good funds for all amounts due.

Payment for purchases may be made in or by (a) cash, (b) cashier's check or money order, (c) personal check with approved credit drawn on a U.S. bank, (d) wire transfer or other immediate bank transfer, or (e) Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover credit, charge or debit card. A processing fee will be assessed on any returned checks. Please note that the amount of cash notes and cash equivalents that can be accepted from a given purchaser may be limited.

The purchaser grants us a security interest in the property, and we may retain as collateral security for the purchaser's obligations to us, any property and all monies held or received by us for the account of the purchaser, in our possession. We retain all rights of a secured party under the California Commercial Code. If the foregoing conditions or any other applicable conditions herein are not complied with, in addition to other remedies available to us and the consignor by law, including without limitation, the right to hold the purchaser liable for the purchase price, we at our option may either (a) cancel the sale, retaining as liquidated damages all payments made by the purchaser or (b) resell the property, either publicly or privately, and in such event the purchaser shall be liable for

- the payment of any deficiency plus all costs and expenses of both sales, our commission at our standard rates, all other charges due hereunder, attorneys' fees, expenses and incidental damages. In addition, where two or more amounts are owed in respect of different transactions by the purchaser to us, to Bonhams 1793 Limited and/or to any of our other affiliates, subsidiaries or parent companies worldwide within the Bonhams Group, we reserve the right to apply any monies paid in respect of a transaction to discharge any amount owed by the purchaser. If all fees, commissions, premiums, bid price and other sums due to us from the purchaser are not paid promptly as provided in these Conditions of Sale, we reserve the right to impose a finance charge equal to 1.5% per month on all amounts due to us beginning on the 31st day following the sale until payment is received, in addition to other remedies available to us by law.
- 3. We reserve the right to withdraw any property and to divide and combine lots at any time before such property's auction. Unless otherwise announced by the auctioneer at the time of sale, all bids are per lot as numbered in the catalog and no lots shall be divided or combined for sale.
- 4. We reserve the right to reject a bid from any bidder, to split any bidding increment, and to advance the bidding in any manner the auctioneer may decide. In the event of any dispute between bidders, or in the event the auctioneer doubts the validity of any bid, the auctioneer shall have sole and final discretion either to determine the successful bidder or to re-offer and resell the article in dispute. If any dispute arises after the sale, our sales records shall be conclusive in all respects.
- 5. If we are prevented by fire, theft or any other reason whatsoever from delivering any property to the purchaser or a sale otherwise cannot be completed, our liability shall be limited to the sum actually paid therefor by the purchaser and shall in no event include any compensatory, incidental or consequential damages.
- 6. If a lot is offered subject to a reserve, we may implement such reserve by bidding on behalf of the consignor, whether by opening bidding or continuing bidding in response to other bidders until reaching the reserve. If we have an interest in an offered lot and the proceeds therefrom other than our commissions, we may bid therefor to protect such interest. CONSIGNORS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO BID ON THEIR OWN ITEMS.
- 7. All statements contained in the catalog or in any bill of sale, condition report, invoice or elsewhere as to authorship, period, culture, source, origin, measurement, quality, rarity, provenance, importance, exhibition and literature of historical relevance, or physical condition ARE QUALIFIED STATEMENTS OF OPINION AND NOT REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES. No employee or agent of Bonhams is authorized to make on our behalf or on that of the consignor any representation or warranty, oral or written, with respect to any property.
- 8. All purchased property shall be removed from the premises at which the sale is conducted by the date(s) and time(s) set forth in the "Buyer's Guide" portion of the catalog. If not so removed, daily storage fees will be payable to us by the purchaser as set forth therein. We reserve the right to transfer property not so removed to an offsite warehouse at the purchaser's risk and expense, as set forth in more detail in the "Buyer's Guide." Accounts must be settled in full before property will be released. Packing and handling of purchased lots are the responsibility of the purchaser. Bonhams can provide packing and shipping services for certain items as noted in the "Buyer's Guide" section of the catalog.

- 9. The copyright in the text of the catalog and the photographs, digital images and illustrations of lots in the catalog belong to Bonhams or its licensors. You will not reproduce or permit anyone else to reproduce such text, photographs, digital images or illustrations without our prior written consent.
- 10. These Conditions of Sale shall bind the successors and assigns of all bidders and purchasers and inure to the benefit of our successors and assigns. No waiver, amendment or modification of the terms hereof (other than posted notices or oral announcements during the sale) shall bind us unless specifically stated in writing and signed by us. If any part of these Conditions of Sale is for any reason invalid or unenforceable, the rest shall remain valid and enforceable.
- 11. These Conditions of Sale and the purchaser's and our respective rights and obligations hereunder are governed by the laws of the State of California. By bidding at an auction, each purchaser and bidder agrees to be bound by these Conditions of Sale. Any dispute, controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this agreement, or the breach, termination or validity thereof, brought by or against Bonhams (but not including claims brought against the consignor by the purchaser of lots consigned hereunder) shall be resolved by the procedures set forth below.

# MEDIATION AND ARBITRATION PROCEDURES

- (a) Within 30 days of written notice that there is a dispute, the parties or their authorized and empowered representatives shall meet by telephone and/or in person to mediate their differences. If the parties agree, a mutually acceptable mediator shall be selected and the parties will equally share such mediator's fees. The mediator shall be a retired judge or an attorney familiar with commercial law and trained in or qualified by experience in handling mediations. Any communications made during the mediation process shall not be admissible in any subsequent arbitration, mediation or judicial proceeding. All proceedings and any resolutions thereof shall be confidential, and the terms governing arbitration set forth in paragraph (c) below shall govern.
- (b) If mediation does not resolve all disputes between the parties, or in any event no longer than 60 days after receipt of the written notice of dispute referred to above, the parties shall submit the dispute for binding arbitration before a single neutral arbitrator. Such arbitrator shall be a retired judge or an attorney familiar with commercial law and trained in or qualified by experience in handling arbitrations. Such arbitrator shall make all appropriate disclosures required by law. The arbitrator shall be drawn from a panel of a national arbitration service agreed to by the parties, and shall be selected as follows: (i) If the national arbitration service has specific rules or procedures, those rules or procedures shall be followed; (ii) If the national arbitration service does not have rules or procedures for the selection of an arbitrator, the arbitrator shall be an individual jointly agreed to by the parties. If the parties cannot agree on a national arbitration service, the arbitration shall be conducted by the American Arbitration Association, and the arbitrator shall be selected in accordance with the Rules of the American Arbitration Association. The arbitrator's award shall be in writing and shall set forth findings of fact and legal conclusions.
- (c) Unless otherwise agreed to by the parties or provided by the published rules of the national arbitration service:
- (i) the arbitration shall occur within 60 days following the selection of the arbitrator;

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(ii) the arbitration shall be conducted in the designated location, as follows: (A) in any case in which the subject auction by Bonhams took place or was scheduled to take place in the State of New York or Connecticut or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the arbitration shall take place in New York City, New York; (B) in all other cases, the arbitration shall take place in the city of San Francisco. California: and

- (iii) discovery and the procedure for the arbitration shall be as follows:
- (A) All arbitration proceedings shall be confidential;
- (B) The parties shall submit written briefs to the arbitrator no later than 15 days before the arbitration commences;
- (C) Discovery, if any, shall be limited as follows: (I) Requests for no more than 10 categories of documents, to be provided to the requesting party within 14 days of written request therefor; (II) No more than two (2) depositions per party, provided however, the deposition(s) are to be completed within one (1) day; (III) Compliance with the above shall be enforced by the arbitrator in accordance with California law:
- (D) Each party shall have no longer than eight (8) hours to present its position. The entire hearing before the arbitrator shall not take longer than three (3) consecutive days;
- (E) The award shall be made in writing no more than 30 days following the end of the proceeding. Judgment upon the award rendered by the arbitrator may be entered by any court having jurisdiction thereof.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, and except as required by applicable arbitration rules, each party shall bear its own attorneys' fees and costs in connection with the proceedings and shall share equally the fees and expenses of the arbitrator.

# LIMITED RIGHT OF RESCISSION

If within one (1) year from the date of sale, the original purchaser (a) gives written notice to us alleging that the identification of Authorship (as defined below) of such lot as set forth in the BOLD TYPE heading of the catalog description of such lot (as amended by any saleroom notices or verbal announcements during the sale) is not substantially correct based on a fair reading of the catalog (including the terms of any glossary contained therein), and (b) within 10 days after such notice returns the lot to us in the same condition as at the time of sale, and (c) establishes the allegation in the notice to our satisfaction (including by providing one or more written opinions by recognized experts in the field, as we may reasonably require), then the sale of such lot will be rescinded and, unless we have already paid to the consignor monies owed him in connection with the sale, the original purchase price will be refunded.

If, prior to receiving such notice from the original purchaser alleging such defect, we have paid the consignor monies owed him in connection with the sale, we shall pay the original purchaser the amount of our commissions, any other sale proceeds to which we are entitled and applicable taxes received from the purchaser on the sale and make demand on the consignor to pay the balance of the original purchase price to the original purchaser. Should the consignor fail to pay such amount promptly, we may disclose the identity of the consignor and assign to the original purchaser our rights against the consignor with respect to the lot the sale of which is sought to be rescinded. Upon such disclosure and assignment, any liability of Bonhams as consignor's agent with respect to said lot shall automatically terminate.

The foregoing limited right of rescission is available to the original purchaser only and may not be assigned to or relied upon by any subsequent transferee of the property sold. The purchaser hereby accepts the benefit of the consignor's warranty of title and other representations and warranties made by the consignor for the purchaser's benefit. Nothing in this section shall be construed as an admission by us of any representation of fact, express or implied, obligation or responsibility with respect to any lot. THE PURCHASER'S SOLE AND EXCLUSIVE REMEDY AGAINST BONHAMS FOR ANY

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"Authorship" means only the identity of the creator, the

period, culture and source or origin of the lot, as the case may be, as set forth in the **BOLD TYPE** heading of the print catalog entry. The right of rescission does not extend to: (a) works of art executed before 1870 (unless these works are determined to be counterfeits created since 1870), as this is a matter of current scholarly opinion which can change; (b) titles, descriptions, or other identification of offered lots, which information normally appears in lower case type below the BOLD TYPE heading identifying the Authorship; (c) Authorship of any lot where it was specifically mentioned that there exists a conflict of specialist or scholarly opinion regarding the Authorship of the lot at the time of sale; (d) Authorship of any lot which as of the date of sale was in accordance with the then generally-accepted opinion of scholars and specialists regarding the same; or (e) the identification of periods or dates of creation in catalog descriptions which may be proven inaccurate by means of scientific processes that are not generally accepted for use until after publication of the catalog in which the property is offered or that were unreasonably expensive or impractical to use at the time of such publication.

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# **SELLER'S GUIDE**

# SELLING AT AUCTION

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The first step in the auction process is to determine the auction value of your property. Bonhams' world-renowned specialists will evaluate your special items at no charge and in complete confidence. You can obtain an auction estimate in many ways:

- Attend one of our Auction Appraisal Events held regularly at our galleries and in other major metropolitan areas. The updated schedule for Bonhams Auction Appraisal Events is available at www.bonhams.com/us.
- Call our Client Services Department to schedule a private appointment at one of our galleries. If you have a large collection, our specialists can travel, by appointment, to evaluate your property on site.
- Send clear photographs to us of each individual item, including item dimensions and other pertinent information with each picture.
   Photos should be sent to Bonhams' address in envelopes marked

as "photo auction estimate". Alternatively, you can submit your request using our online form at **www.bonhams.com/us**. Digital images may be attached to the form. Please limit your images to no more than five (5) per item.

# CONSIGNING YOUR PROPERTY

After you receive an estimate, you may consign your property to us for sale in the next appropriate auction. Our staff assists you throughout the process, arranging transportation of your items to our galleries (at the consignor's expense), providing a detailed inventory of your consignment, and reporting the prices realized for each lot. We provide secure storage for your property in our warehouses and all items are insured throughout the auction process. You will receive payment for your property approximately 35 days after completion of sale.

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Bonhams' specialists conduct insurance and fair market value appraisals for private collectors, corporations, museums, fiduciaries and government entities on a daily basis. Insurance appraisals, used for insurance purposes, reflect the cost of replacing property in today's retail market. Fair market value appraisals are used for estate,

tax and family division purposes and reflect prices paid by a willing buyer to a willing seller.

When we conduct a private appraisal, our specialists will prepare a thorough inventory listing of all your appraised property by category. Valuations, complete descriptions and locations of items are included in the documentation.

Appraisal fees vary according to the nature of the collection, the amount of work involved, the travel distance, and whether the property is subsequently consigned for auction.

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# **ESTATE SERVICES**

Since 1865, Bonhams has been serving the needs of fiduciaries – lawyers, trust officers, accountants and executors – in the disposition of large and small estates. Our services are specially designed to aid in the efficient appraisal and disposition of fine art, antiques, jewelry, and collectibles. We offer a full range of estate services, ranging from flexible financial terms to tailored accounting for heirs and their agents to world-class marketing and sales support.

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# **BIDDING & BUYING AT AUCTION**

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#### Previews

Auction previews are your chance to inspect each lot prior to the auction. We encourage you to look closely and examine each object on which you may want to bid so that you will know as much as possible about it. Except as expressly set forth in the Conditions of Sale, items are sold "as is" and with all faults; illustrations in our catalogs, website and other materials are provided for identification only. At the previews, our staff is always available to answer your questions and guide you through the auction process. Condition reports may be available upon request.

#### **Estimates**

Bonhams catalogs include low and high value estimates for each lot, exclusive of the buyer's premium and tax. The estimates are provided as an approximate guide to current market value based primarily on previous auction results for comparable pieces, and should not be interpreted as a representation or prediction of actual selling prices. They are determined well in advance of a sale and are subject to revision. Please contact us should you have any questions about value estimates.

# Reserves

Unless indicated by the  $\square$  symbol next to the lot number, which denotes no reserve, all lots in the catalog are subject to a reserve. The reserve is the minimum auction price that the consignor is willing to accept for a lot. This amount is confidential and does not exceed the low estimate value.

# Auction House's Interest in Property Offered at Auction

On occasion, Bonhams may offer property in which it has an ownership interest in whole or in part or otherwise has an economic interest. Such property, if any, is identified in the catalog with a  $\blacktriangle$  symbol next to the lot number(s).

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# **Bidding at Auction**

At Bonhams, you can bid in many ways: in person, via absentee bid, over the phone, or via Bonhams' live online bidding facility. Absentee bids can be submitted in person, online. via fax or via email.

Valid Bonhams client accounts are required to participate in bidding activity. You can obtain registration information online, at the reception desk or by calling our Client Services Department.

By bidding at auction, whether in person or by agent, by absentee bid, telephone, online or other means, the buyer or bidder agrees to be bound by the Conditions of Sale.

Lots are auctioned in consecutive numerical order as they appear in the catalog. Bidding normally begins below the low estimate. The auctioneer will accept bids from interested parties present in the saleroom, from telephone bidders, and from absentee bidders who have left written bids in advance of the sale. The auctioneer may also execute bids on behalf of the consignor by placing responsive or consecutive bids for a lot up to the amount of the reserve, but never above it.

We assume no responsibility for failure to execute bids for any reason whatsoever.

### In Person

If you are planning to bid at auction for the first time, you will need to register at the reception desk in order to receive a numbered bid card. To place a bid, hold up your card so that the auctioneer can clearly see it. Decide on the maximum auction price that you wish to pay, exclusive of buyer's premium and tax, and continue bidding until your bid prevails or you reach your limit. If you are the successful bidder on a lot, the auctioneer will acknowledge your paddle number and bid amount.

### **Absentee Bids**

As a service to those wishing to place bids, we may at our discretion accept bids without charge in advance of auction online or in writing on bidding forms available from us. "Buy" bids will not be accepted; all bids must state the highest bid price the bidder is willing to pay. Our auction staff will try to bid just as you would, with the goal of obtaining the item at the lowest bid price possible. In the event identical bids are submitted, the earliest bid submitted will take precedence. Absentee bids shall be executed in competition with other absentee bids, any applicable reserve, and bids from other auction participants. A friend or agent may place bids on your behalf, provided that we have received your written authorization prior to the sale. Absentee bid forms are available in our catalogs, online at www.bonhams.com/ us, at offsite auction locations, and at our San Francisco, Los Angeles and New York galleries.

# By Telephone

Under special circumstances, we can arrange for you to bid by telephone. To arrange for a telephone bid, please contact our Client Services Department a minimum of 24 hours prior to the sale.

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Bonhams generally uses the following increment multiples as bidding progresses:

\$50-200	by \$10s
\$200-500	by \$20/50/80s
\$500-1,000	by \$50s
\$1,000-2,000	by \$100s
\$2,000-5,000	by \$200/500/800s
\$5,000-10,000	by \$500s
\$10,000-20,000	by \$1,000s
\$20,000-50,000	by \$2,000/5,000/8,000s
\$50,000-100,000	by \$5,000s
\$100,000-200,000	by \$10,000s
above \$200,000	at auctioneer's discretion

The auctioneer may split or reject any bid at any time at his or her discretion as outlined in the Conditions of Sale.

# **Currency Converter**

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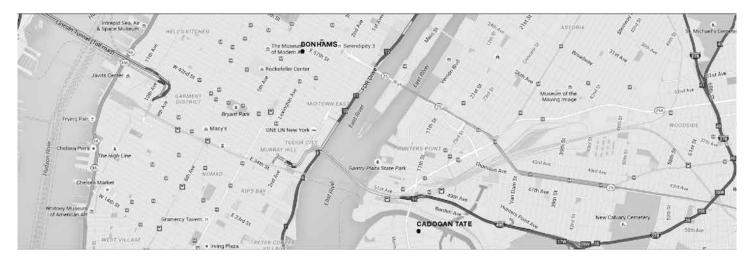
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