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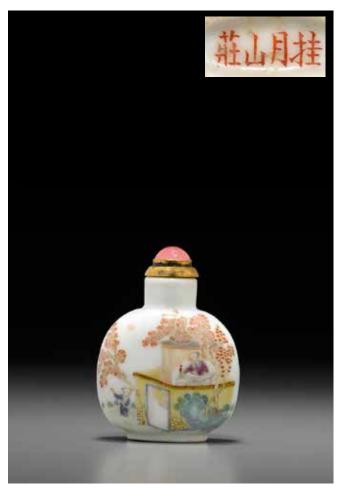
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9002

### PROPERTY FROM THE ELSA GLICKMAN COLLECTION

#### 9001

### AN ENAMELED PORCELAIN SNUFF BOTTLE

Jingdezhen kilns, Daoguang period, 1821-1850

Of compressed form with a flat lip and unglazed oval foot rim, the body with famille rose enamels showing a continuous landscape with one side with a figure at a desk, the moon in gold above, reversed by an eight character inscription, with a four character mark on the foot in iron red reading Guayue Shanzhuang. 2 1/8in (5.4cm) high

### US\$6,000 - 8,000

### Provenance

Hugh Moss Ltd., 1 July 1993

The poem reads: the stars and the moon, the flood dragon content, the milky way is present in the heavens"

Two identical bottles with the same composition are in the Qing Imperial collection see The complete collection of treasures in the Palace Museum, vol 47 Snuff Bottles nos 336 & 339

1821-1850 清道光 粉彩瓷胎草堂夜讀圖鼻煙壺 《挂月山庄》四字楷書款

### 9002

### A RETICULATED PORCELAIN SNUFF BOTTLE

Wang Bingrong 1820-1870

Of compressed upright rectangular form, with a flat lip and high oval foot rim, the body reticulated, each face with five bats' surrounding a shou medallion, the bats eyes highlighted in black, with a fourcharacter Wang Bingrong zuo mark in seal script inscribed to the recessed foot, the porcelain body with a mustard yellow glaze. 2 3/8in (6.1cm) high

### US\$7,000 - 9,000

### Provenance

Sotheby's London, 6 May 1986, lot 337 Collection of J.T. Wakefield, Esq.

For another bottle with the mustard yellow glaze with a Wang Bingrong zuo mark in the collection of Richard See Whee Baey, see Snuff Bottles: Little Gems of Delight, Singapore, 2004. M91, p. 38

1820-1870 王炳榮 鏤雕瓷胎施黃釉'五蝠捧壽'鼻煙壺 《王炳榮作》四字篆書款





9003

### 9003 AN AMBER SNUFF BOTTLE

1800-1880

Of upright rectangular form tapering slightly at the foot, with sloping shoulders, flat lip, supported by an oval foot rim, one face carved in low relief with a monkey in a tree reaching out to a bee, the amber a warm honey tone. 2 3/4in (7cm) high

### US\$4,000 - 7,000

### Provenance

Peter Bozzo

### Published

Elsa Glickman Chinese Snuff Bottle Mania, Stories of Collectors, Trade, Intrigues and Gotham's Auctions, New York, 2006, figure G

1800-1880 琥珀'封侯圖'鼻煙壺

### 9004

### A SILVER AND GILT WIRE INLAID LACQUER SNUFF BOTTLE Qianlong mark, 1880-1900

Of rectangular form with a flat lip and beveled rectangular foot rim, the four sides inlaid with gold and silver wire, the narrow sides with goldfish and water weeds, the front face with a jue and ding bronze vessel with a six character inscription in seal script, reversed by a long inscription in seal script in silver wire, followed by two seals in gold wire reading *Bingzhi* and *fang gu*, the foot bearing a four-character *Qianlong mark* in sliver wire. *2 3/8in (6.1cm) high* 

### US\$3,000 - 5,000

### Provenance

Christie's New York, 10 October 1993, lot 120 Reif Collection Albert Pyke Collection, Los Angeles

The motif of bronze vessels accompanied by inscriptions in Zhou dynasty style seal script is a testament to the academic revival of ancient texts in metal and stone (*Jinshixue*) in the late Qing dynasty. The popularization of this 'antique aesthetic' had a profound impact on the painting, calligraphy and the decorative arts of the 19th century. A similar lacquer inlaid bottle, formerly in the Barron collection, was sold at Christie's 16 March 2016, lot 414.

1880-1900 黑漆嵌金銀絲帶銘文鼻煙壺 嵌銀絲《乾隆年製》四字篆書款



9005 (two views)



9006 (two views)

### 9005

# A CINNABAR-RED OVERLAY WHITE GLASS SNUFF BOTTLE

1780-1860

Of compressed ovoid form with a flat lip and an oval foot rim, a single overlay of cinnabar glass on an off-white ground, the carving depicting an auspicious landscape with a crane carrying lingzhi above a spotted deer and pine, reversed by an eagle and a bear. 2 5/8in (6.8cm) high

US\$5,000 - 7,000

### Provenance

Robert Hall Marian Mayer Collection, #734

### Published

Robert Hall, *Chinese Snuff Bottles II*, London, 1989, no 103, p. 123 Marian Mayer, *Glass Snuff Bottles of China from the Mayer Collection at Steuben Glass*, n.p. 1980 no 45

### Exhibited

Glass snuff bottles of China at Steuben Glass, New York, September 9 - October 3, 1980

1780-1860 白地套剔紅料'鶴鹿同春'鼻煙壺

### 9006

### A BLUE GLASS OVERLAY SNUFF BOTTLE

1750-1820 Of compressed ovoid form with a flat lip slightly everted and a flat oval foot rim surrounding a deeply recessed foot, with a sapphire blue overlay on a bubble suffused ground, the carving remarkably skillful in high relief depicting a continuous landscape with figures.

2 3/8in (6.1cm) high

### US\$4,000 - 6,000

### Provenance

Hugh Moss Ltd. 6 May 1998 "The Ko-Lipped Blue Glass Overlay" Ko family Collection

1750-1820 霏雪地套藍料高士攜童子游春歸 來鼻煙壺

### 9007 A RARE DOCUMENTARY LACQUER SNUFF BOTTLE

Fuzhou, Late 19th century Of flattened globular form with a flat lip and flat oval foot, with a reddish brown lacquer, each face with a carved inscription in seal script, with a dedication in running script to *Zimei renxiong*, and dated *xinsi* (1881). *2 3/8in* (6.1cm) high

### US\$2,000 - 3,000

**Provenance** Robert Hall, 30 April 1994

十九世紀末 福州工 棕紅漆面刻銘文鼻煙壺



9007 (two views)

### 9008

### A CARVED JASPER SNUFF BOTTLE 1850-1930

Of spade form with a spreading neck, flat lip, the two conforming panels on the front and back carved with figures in a craggy landscape against a key-fret patterned ground, one depicting a horseman holding a banner over his shoulder, the other featuring two boys by a lotus pond; the brownish-red stone displaying variated shades. 2 1/8in (5.4cm) high

US\$1,200 - 1,800

### Provenance

Sotheby's Park Bernet, New York, 25 June 1982, Fine and important snuff bottles from the collection of Bob C. Stevens, part III, Lot 125

Christie's, 14 June 1971, The Ko family collection of Chinese Snuff Bottles, lot 135

### Published

Exhibition of Chinese Snuff Bottles in the Bob C. Stevens Collection, Mikimoto Hall, Tokyo October, 1978, *Catalogue*, no. 158

1850-1930 羊肝瑪瑙刻浮雕人物鼻煙壺



9008 (two views)





### 9009

## A RUBY GLASS 'MALLOW FLOWER' SNUFF BOTTLE 1750-1820

Of compressed form, with a waisted neck and a concave lip, the sides horizontally lobed, each face with overlapping petals spirally outward, at the center a taiji symbol, the glass a vibrant ruby red. 2 1/4in (5.7cm) high

### US\$3,000 - 5,000

### Provenance

Y.F. Yang, Hong Kong, 17 June 1973

1750-1820 寶石紅料錦葵花紋鼻煙壺

### 9010

### A YELLOW GLASS SNUFF BOTTLE

Imperial, Palace Workshops, Beijing, 1750-1820 Of compressed globular form with a waisted neck, flat lip around a wide mouth, rounded oval foot ring, carved in relief with one side with a gilin emitting a cloud supporting a book, reversed with a carp emitting a cloud supporting a pavilion, the glass of rich egg yolkyellow; together with a yellow glass snuff dish. 2 1/4in (5.8cm) high

### US\$4,000 - 6,000

1750-1820 御製 宮廷作坊 北京工 黃料刻'麒麟馱書'鼻煙壺



9011

9012 (two views)

### 9011 A NEPHRITE SNUFF BOTTLE

### Possibly Imperial, 1730-1840

Of compressed pear form, with a flat lip and a slender oval foot rim, the interior beautifully hollowed, the stone of fine polish with striking russet and brown markings. *2 1/4in (5.7cm) high* 

### US\$7,000 - 10,000

1730-1840 擬御製 素面帶皮青白玉鼻煙壺

### 9012

### A CINNABAR LACQUER SNUFF BOTTLE

Likely Imperial, 1750-1820

Of flattened form, intricately carved on with a continuous scene of a rocky landscape, each side featuring a scholar with a servant, clouds on the shoulder and key fret borders at the neck, the exposed foot rim and lip revealing the copper interior, traces of gilding to the foot and lip. 2 1/4in (5.8cm) high

### US\$5,000 - 7,000

A similar cinnabar lacquer bottle also with scholars on an outing, also with a double ring at the foot is in the Qing Court collection and illustrated in *The Complete Collection of Treasures of the Palace Museum, vol 47 Snuff Bottles*, no 395, p. 258.

1750-1820 擬御製 剔紅刻山水人物鼻煙壺





9014

### 9013 AN AGATE SNUFF BOTTLE

### 1740-1860

Of upright form with a flat wide lip and an oval foot rim around a slightly recessed, flat foot, fixed ring mask handles to the side, with a striking vertical white stripe with fine banding, the interior very well hollowed.

2 3/8in (6.1cm) high

### US\$5,000 - 7,000

1740-1860 鋪首雙耳瑪瑙鼻煙壺

### 9014 **A SHADOW AGATE SNUFF BOTTLE** 1750-1850

Of upright rectangular form with a flat lip, and an oval foot rim surrounding a shallowly recessed foot, the darker inclusions suggesting a figure on a water buffalo reaching for a hat caught by the breeze, with two bats. 2 1/2in (6.2cm) high

US\$10,000 - 15,000

### Provenance

Robert Kleiner, 30 March 2000 Gerry P. Mack

Published Elsa Glickman Chinese Snuff Bottle Mania, Stories of Collectors, Trade, Intrigues and Gotham's Auctions, New York, 2006, figure P

Robert Kleiner *Precious Playthings: Important Chinese Snuff Bottles from the Mack Collection*, London, 2000, no 59, p. 88-89, also illustrated on the cover.

1750-1850 影子瑪瑙牧童放牛鼻煙壺

### 9015 AN INSIDE-PAINTED GLASS SNUFF BOTTLE

Chen Zhongsan Of upright rectangular form with sloping shoulders, a slightly flaring neck, and a convex foot surrounded by an oval foot rim, the interior painted with a continuous scene of varied insects amid a garden rock, with a dedicatory inscription and signed Chen Zhongsan with a painted seal. 2 1/4in (5.8cm) high

### US\$3,000 - 5,000

陳仲三 內畫玻璃虫草鬆石鼻煙壺



9015 (two views)

### 9016 AN INSIDE-PAINTED GLASS SNUFF BOTTLE Sun Xingwu

Of upright rectangular form, with sloping shoulders and a flat lip, the protruding foot rim surrounding a convex foot, the interior painted with a continuous snow landscape, with a poetic inscription and dedication to Ziyu, signed Xingwu with one painted seal. 2 3/8in (6cm) high

US\$3,000 - 5,000

孫星五 內畫玻璃風雪夜歸圖鼻煙壺



9016 (two views)





9018

#### 9017

### A BEIGE OVERLAY GLASS SNUFF BOTTLE

Yangzhou, 1780-1840

Of flattened pear form, with a wide mouth and thin lip, oval foot rim, the body of pure white, with a single overlay of yellow-beige carved on each face as two confronting downward facing chi dragons surrounding a stylized shou medallion with fixed ring mask handles to the narrow sides. *2 1/2in (6.3cm) high* 

### US\$2,500 - 4,000

### Provenance

Hugh Moss Ltd. 5 September 1994

### Published

Elsa Glickman Chinese Snuff Bottle Mania, Stories of Collectors, Trade, Intrigues and Gotham's Auctions, New York, 2006, figure O

1780-1840 揚州工 白地套淺黃料壽團螭龍紋鼻煙壺

### 9018

### A RUBY-RED GLASS SNUFF BOTTLE

Possibly Imperial, attributed to the Palace workshop, Beijing, 1750-1820

The bottle of a distinctive baluster shape with stepped shoulders, its gently waisted neck rising to a flat lip, oval foot ring, the body of transparent rich ruby-red color. *2 1/8in (5.4cm) high* 

### US\$3,000 - 5,000

Compare similar designed glass snuff bottles from the Bloch Collection, illustrated in exhibition catalog *Chinese Snuff Bottles, A Miniature Art from the Collection of Mary and George Bloch*, Hong Kong Museum of Art, p. 146, no. 91, and p. 155, no. 100.

1750-1820 擬御製 宮廷作坊 北京工 寶石紅料鼻煙壺





9020

### 9019

### A TURQUOISE-BLUE GLASS SNUFF BOTTLE

Likely Imperial, Palace Workshops, Beijing, 1730-1800 Of meiping form, with a flat lip and supported by a flat circular foot, the blue glass with a zigzag pattern sweeping across the shoulder. *2 1/2in (6.4cm) high* 

### US\$3,000 - 5,000

### Provenance

Hugh Moss Ltd., 11 May 2000 Sotheby's, Hong Kong, 28 April 1997, lot 4

1730-1800 擬御製 宮廷作坊 北京工 鬆石藍料鼻煙壺

#### 9020

# A DOUBLE-GOURD ROCK CRYSTAL SNUFF BOTTLE 1730-1820

Of compressed double gourd form, the neck delicately waisted, the foot a neat concave oval, each bulb remarkably well hollowed, front and back with thee bats carved in low relief, one downward facing bat on the upper bulb and two bats on the lower bulb around a shou medallion.

2 3/8in (6.1cm) high

US\$7,000 - 9,000

### Provenance

Robert Hall, 23 March 2001

1730-1820 水晶福壽紋鼻煙壺



9021 (two views)



### 9021 A YELLOW JADE SNUFF BOTTLE

#### 1750-1800

Adapting the form of a double gourd, each bulb well hollowed, with a concave dimple at the foot, the body of the vessel partially wrapped with a brocade cloth, the stone an even yellow color with a few minute black inclusions. *2 1/4in (5.7cm) high* 

US\$20,000 - 30,000

Provenance Hugh Moss Ltd., 25 September 2000

1750-1800 葫蘆形黃玉刻錦緞包袱紋鼻煙壺

### 9022

### A WHITE AND RUSSET JADE SNUFF BOTTLE 1740-1820

Of compressed globular form, with a straight neck and flat lip, supported by a rounded rectangular foot rim, one face with the russet skin carved as five bats surrounding a stylized shou medallion, reversed by two overlapping coins in low relief, the coins inscribed "shi lu wan zhong" and "fu lu you tong", the narrow sides with a long inscription carved in intaglio. 2 1/4in (5.7cm) high

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### US\$4,000 - 6,000

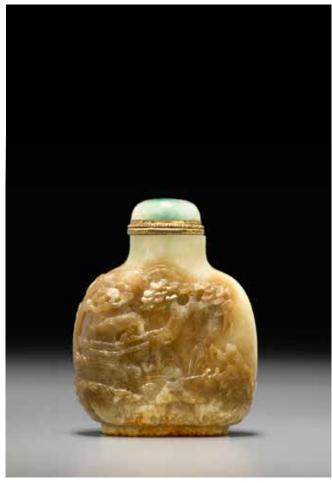
### Provenance

Sotheby's, New York, 16 April 1985, lot 149 Collection of Alice B. McReynolds

The inscription on the narrow sides reads: 戚云即此錢也錢 文亦皆祝嘏之辭 是錢開元遺事唐 宮中每賜近臣外

1740-1820 帶皮白玉巧雕'五蝠捧壽'刻銅錢紋鼻煙壺

9022 (two views)





9024

### 9023

### A BROWN AND GREEN NEPHRITE SNUFF BOTTLE 1740-1850

Of upright rectangular form with a wide lip, slightly concave and a high oval foot rim, the principle face of the bottle carved to feature a rider on a water buffalo approaching a bridge, with a figure leaning out a window, the details of the carving well-executed, with russet inclusions along the foot rim. *2 5/8in (6.5cm) high* 

### US\$12,000 - 18,000

### Provenance

Hugh Moss Ltd., 6 May 1998 Ko Family Collection

### Published

ICSBS *Journal*, Spring 1990, p. 15, fig. 23 (image reversed) ICSBS *Journal*, June 1981, front cover (image reversed)

1740-1850 帶皮青白玉雕村景人物圖鼻煙壺

### 9024

### AN AGATE 'COIN' SNUFF BOTTLE

Probably imperial, attributed to the palace workshops, 1798–1840 Of flattened globular form, with a straight neck and flat lip, the oval foot rim surrounding a recessed foot, carved with the obverse and reverse of a Mexican eight-reale coin, complete with its milled edge, bearing the head of Charles IV of Spain encircled by the legend CAROLUS•IIII•DEI•GRATIA•1796, the reverse with the Spanish coat of arms encircled with the legend HISPAN•ETIND•REX•M•8R•F•M• the Latin inscription notably crisp, the narrow sides with oval panels, the interior very well hollowed. 2 1/8in (5.4cm) high

US\$4,000 - 6,000

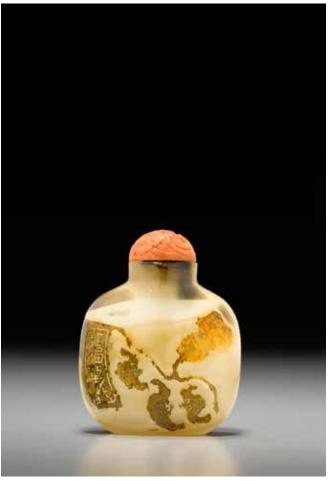
### Provenance

Hugh Moss Ltd., 26 September 1996

Spanish silver was frequently used as currency in China's nineteenth century seaports. Snuff bottles made in a variety of materials imitating these coins were produced in relatively large numbers. For a further discussion of this group see V.E. Graham, 'Coin Snuff Bottles', *Journal*. The International Chinese Snuff Bottle Society, spring 1988, pp. 4-10.

1798-1840 擬御製 宮廷作坊 瑪瑙刻西班牙徽章硬幣紋鼻煙壺





9026

### 9025 **A CAMEO AGATE SNUFF BOTTLE** 1750-1850

Of compressed form, the interior very well hollowed, with a concave lip, and oval foot rim around a slightly convex foot, the body with three rams in high relief with the sun, and characters reading "san yang kai tai", with a wisp of a cloud incised on the reverse. 2 1/4in (5.8cm) high

### US\$6,000 - 8,000

### Provenance

Hugh Moss Ltd., 25 September 2000

The phrase "san yang kai tai", often depicted together with three goats and the sun, symbolizes the coming of spring.

1750-1850 瑪瑙巧雕'三羊開泰'鼻煙壺

### 9026 A SHADOW AGATE SNUFF BOTTLE 1740-1860

Of flattened form, tapering to the foot, with a slightly concave lip and a recessed oval foot, the natural inclusions of the stone picked out in low relief to depict three bats emerging from a double gourd with a banner reading "hong fu wan dai". *2 1/4in (5.7cm) high* 

US\$8,000 - 10,000

#### Provenance

Robert Hall, 23 February 1993 Eric Young Sotheby's, New York, 3 November 1982 lot 200

Published Robert Hall, *Chinese Snuff Bottles III*, London, 1990 no 46.

1740-1860 影子瑪瑙'洪福萬代'鼻煙壺





9027 (two views)

9028

### 9027

### AN EMBELLISHED JADEITE SNUFF BOTTLE

The bottle: 1850-1920, embellishment: Tsuda family, Kyoto, Japan, 20th century

Well-hollowed, of compressed spherical form, with a short waisted neck, wide recessed lip, flat oval foot, painted and adorned with colored stones on one side depicting a man fishing in a *shanban*, near a rocky band with a gazebo under a pine, the verso displaying a contemplative woman in fancy robes under pine trees, attended by her servant holding a big fan. *2in* (5.1 cm) high

2111 (J. 1011) High

### US\$6,000 - 9,000

壺:1850-1920 嵌飾:二十世紀日本津田家族 翡翠嵌雜寶人物鼻煙壺

#### 9028

### A WHITE GLASS 'BASKET-WEAVE' SNUFF BOTTLE 1750-1850

The flattened rounded bottle finished with a flat lip and finely rounded oval foot ring, carved with an overall basket-weave pattern below the waisted neck; the translucent white glass resembling fine nephrite. *2 5/8in (6.7cm) high* 

US\$4,000 - 6,000

#### Provenance

Michael C. Hughes LLC, 1 March 2004

1750-1850 仿玉白料刻竹簍紋鼻煙壺





9030 (two views)

#### 9029

### A BLACK AND WHITE JADE SNUFF BOTTLE

1750-1850 Of upright rectangular form, with a flat lip and a concave oval depression at the foot, with white cloud-like inclusions within the grey black matrix. 2 1/8 (5.2cm) high

### US\$4,000 - 6,000

### Provenance

Sotheby's, London, 13 June 1987, lot 131 Eric Young

1750-1850 素面墨白玉鼻煙壺

### 9030

# A GREEN OVERLAY YELLOW GLASS 'KATYDID' SNUFF BOTTLE

Probably Imperial, Palace Workshops, Beijing, 1740-1800 Of compressed globular form with a waisted neck, carefully recessed lip, slightly splayed oval foot ring, expertly carved through the transparent green overlay applied to the lemon-yellow ground with a katydid inching along the branches of a Buddhist hand citron tree, the reverse decorated with lingzhi plants springing from rocks. *2 1/4in (5.8cm) high* 

### US\$3,000 - 4,000

### Provenance

Robert Hall, 13 November 1985

Refer to a similar shaped glass bottle, also with the green overlay on a yellow ground featuring a katydid, unmarked but in the Qing court collection, illustrated in *The Complete Collection of Treasures of the Palace Museum, Vol 47 Snuff Bottles* no 63 p. 44.

1740-1800 擬御製 宮廷作坊 北京工 黃地套綠料刻蟈蟈鼻煙壺



9031

### FIVE INSIDE-PAINTED ROCK CRYSTAL SNUFF BOTTLES

Lu Jianguang, 1990

Each of rounded rectangular profile, with a cylindrical neck, flat lip, splayed oval foot ring, all painted to the main sides with dogs and gardens, each bottle inscribed with the names of the depicted dogs, three bottles signed, dated *gengwu* (1990), all with seals. *2 3/8in (6cm) high* 

### US\$2,000 - 3,000

### Provenance

Y.F. Yang, Hong Kong, 17 June 1993.

Lu Jianguang is a student of Wang Xisan. Born in 1965 in Jizhou, Hebei **provenance**, Lu Jianguang is one of the celebrated contemporary inside-painted artists who has received many awards for his creations.

1990 盧建光作 水晶內畫名犬鼻煙壺五隻





9033

### 9032

### A FACETED DUAN STONE SNUFF BOTTLE

1740-1800 The bottle built upon a protruding foot, and finished with a cylindrical neck, flat lip, the convex body framed with octagonal panels on the narrow side, the front centered with a reserve incised with turtle-shell patterns surrounded by the Eight Trigrams of the I Ching, the reverse with intriguing geometric designs; the fine stone of a dark chocolate tone.

2 3/8in (6cm) high

### US\$5,000 - 8,000

### Provenance

Hugh Moss Ltd., 8 November 1989

1740-1800 端石刻龜殼八卦紋鼻煙壺

### 9033 A DUAN STONE SNUFF BOTTLE 1760-1820

Of compressed form, with a flat lip the body carved with leafy vines and double gourds, supported by three double gourds at the foot, the stone with an even greenish cast. *2 3/8in (6.1cm) high* 

US\$6,000 - 8,000

### Provenance

Sotheby Parke-Bernet PB Eighty-Four, 28 May 1980, lot 57

1760-1820 端石'福祿萬代'鼻煙壺

### A GREEN GLASS OVERLAY SNUFF BOTTLE

Yangzhou school, 1800-1840

Of flattened circular form rising from a straight oval foot, finely carved through the emerald green overlay to the opaque milky white glass, showing a frogs in a lotus pond with waves incised, with a four character inscription in seal script reading above, the reverse showing a lotus and vegetables with a seal reading *Qiuwan*. *2 1/4in (5.6cm) high* 

### US\$6,000 - 8,000

### Provenance

Hugh Moss Ltd., 11 May 2000

### Published

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1800-1840 揚州風格 涅白地套綠料蛙鳴荷塘鼻煙壺



9034 (two views)



9035 (two views)

### 9035

### A FINELY INSCRIBED CHALCEDONY SNUFF BOTTLE

Possibly Imperial, 1750-1820

Well-hollowed, of flattened baluster form with a waisted neck, flat lip, a splayed oval foot ring surrounding its recessed foot, one side incised with two swallows swooping towards a blooming peony plant, the reverse with an imperially inscribed poem matching the theme of the incised painting, two raised faux lion mask-and-ring handles framing the shoulders.

2 1/4in (5.8cm) high

### US\$7,000 - 9,000

1750-1820 擬御製 淺刻牡丹春燕圖帶御題詩瑪瑙鼻煙壺







9037

9038

### 9036 A GREEN GLASS SNUFF BOTTLE 1730-1850

Of compressed pear form with a flat lip and a waisted neck, with a rounded oval foot rim surrounding a convex foot, each side carved with a formalized flower, the emerald green glass suffused with gold flecks. *1 3/4in (4.5cm) high* 

### US\$3,000 - 4,000

#### Provenance

Robert Hall, 19 October 1989 Marian Mayer Collection, #637

### Published

Robert Hall, *Chinese Snuff Bottles II*, London, 1989, no 189, p.89, also illustrated on the cover

1730-1850 透明綠料芙蓉花紋鼻煙壺

### 9037 A FOSSILIFEROUS LIMESTONE SNUFF BOTTLE

### 1780-1850

Of upright rectangular form, reasonably well hollowed, the lip slightly convex, supported by a rounded oval foot rim, the stone with a natural cellular pattern highlighted by russet splashes. *2 3/4in (6.9cm) high* 

### US\$3,000 - 5,000

Provenance Robert Hall, 30 May 1996

1780-1850 石灰岩化石鼻煙壺

### 9038 A PUDDINGSTONE SNUFF BOTTLE 1740-1900

Of flattened globular form, with a waisted neck, and a concave lip, the foot a concave divot, the interior of the bottle very well hollowed, the stone with striking garnet and grey markings. 1 7/8in (4.8cm) high

### US\$4,000 - 6,000

#### Provenance

Hugh Moss Ltd., 4 November 1993 Sotheby's Park Bernet, New York 25 June 1982, Fine and important snuff bottles from the collection of Bob C. Stevens, part III, lot 131

Published Bob C. Stevens, *The Collector's Book of Snuff Bottles*, Tokyo, 1976, no 619

1740-1900 礫碞石素面鼻煙壺





9040

### 9039 AN AMBER SNUFF BOTTLE

1770-1830

Realistically carved as a squatting boy holding a double gourd, the natural coloration of the amber highlighting the boy's eyes and hair, the figure translucent, the gourd opaque. *2 1/4in (5.7cm) high* 

### US\$15,000 - 25,000

#### Provenance

Hugh Moss Ltd., 6 May 1998

This wonderfully realized bottle is akin to numerous examples of the same form executed in porcelain during the late Qianlong and Jiaqing periods. Symbolically, the boy and double gourd offers a wish for numerous offspring, a popular motif in Chinese art. Sculpturally, the bottle is extremely well-executed, the carving making use of the natural color and markings in the amber, with the boy's two feet and the base of the gourd offering three points of contact for stability.

1770-1830 琥珀童子葫蘆形鼻煙壺

### 9040

### AN ENAMELED PORCELAIN 'LION' SNUFF BOTTLE

Jingdezhen kilns, 1820-1920 Modeled as a lion sitting upright, with a grinning face, bulking eyes, holding a lion cub and a 'brocade' ball between his paws, the recessed base enameled in coral red, glazed interior. 2 7/8in (7.3cm) high

### US\$2,000 - 3,000

### Provenance

Hugh Moss Ltd., 11 May 2000

### Published

Elsa Glickman Chinese Snuff Bottle Mania, Stories of Collectors, Trade, Intrigues and Gotham's Auctions, New York, 2006, figure H.

1820-1920 模製瓷胎粉彩獅子繡球鼻煙壺



9041 (two views)



### **PROPERTY FROM VARIOUS OWNERS**

#### 9041

# A FAMILLE ROSE CANTON ENAMEL 'EUROPEAN SUBJECT' SNUFF BOTTLE

Qianlong mark and of the period, 1735-1796

Finely enameled with a continuous scene a foreign couple seated with their hound under a tree, reversed by two gentlemen in conversation in a landscape setting, all beneath a band of ruyi on the shoulder, with a copper lip and foot rim, and the *four-character mark* to the foot. *2in* (5.1*cm*) *high* 

### US\$2,000 - 3,000

1735-1796 清乾隆 銅胎畫琺瑯西洋人物圖鼻煙壺 乾隆四字楷書款

#### 9042

# A FAMILLE ROSE ENAMELED PORCELAIN 'EROTIC' SNUFF BOTTLE

Jingdezhen kilns, Qianlong mark, 1820-1880

Of tapering ovoid form, with a waisted neck, the flaring lip and spreading oval foot ring heightened in gilt, the front and back with two raised panels, one depicting a couple engaged in amorous activity, the other painted with a thatch-roofed gazebo nestled in a tranquil landscape, all against a turquoise glazed ground with stippled details; the underside bearing the four-character *Qianlong mark* in iron-red seal script.

2 1/4in (5.7cm) high

### US\$1,500 - 2,500

1820-1880 瓷胎粉彩春宮圖鼻煙壺 礬紅《乾隆年製》篆書款

9042 (two views)





9044

### 9043 A WHITE JADE SNUFF BOTTLE

1750-1820 Well-hollowed, the sloping shoulders of the rounded rectangular bottle rising to a cylindrical neck, with a flat lip, rounded oval foot ring, the narrow sides with two faux lion mask-and-ring handles finely carved in rounded relief; the matrix of pale grayish-white, displaying faint russet patches. 2 1/2in (6.4cm) high

US\$5,000 - 7,000

1750-1820 白玉獸面雙耳鼻煙壺

### 9044 **A RUSSET JADE SNUFF BOTTLE** 1770-1830

Well-hollowed, of a natural pebble form, carved with a 'brocade' sash wrapping around the bottle and tied to one side between an auspicious bat and a coin, the underside carved with two stylized characters; the white jade with extensive russet inclusions. *2in (5cm) high* 

US\$15,000 - 20,000

1770-1830 白玉帶褐斑鼻煙壺





9046

### 9045

# A WHITE GLASS SNUFF BOTTLE WITH SPLASHED DECORATION

The cylindrical bottle standing upon a short circular foot ring, rising to a sloping shoulder beneath a straight neck finished with a flat lip; the sides suffused with splashes in green, gold, pale purple coloration. *2 5/8in (6.7cm) high* 

US\$1,500 - 2,500

白料灑色鼻煙壺

### 9046

### A GREENISH-WHITE JADE SNUFF BOTTLE 1760-1820

Well-hollowed, the rounded rectangular bottle with a cylindrical neck, very slightly recessed lip, splayed oval foot ring; the stone of a pale celadon tone with minimal inclusions. *2 7/16in (6.2cm) high* 

US\$2,000 - 3,000

1760-1820 青白玉鼻煙壺





9047 (two views)

9048

### 9047

### A CARVED WHITE JADE 'MELON' SNUFF BOTTLE 1860-1940

The petite melon form bottle decorated with well rendered leaves and a crawling squirrel to the sides, the woody stems undercut to form the foot; the evenly hued white stone with minimal inclusions. 1 3/4in (4.5cm) high

### US\$4,000 - 6,000

1860-1940 白玉鬆鼠瓜蝶鼻煙壺

### 9048 **A WHITE JADE SNUFF BOTTLE** 1750-1850

The well-hollowed bottle of compressed ovoid form tapering to the foot, with a cylindrical neck, flat lip and oval foot rim; the evenly hued white stone displaying limited pale russet inclusions. *2 5/16in (5.9cm) high* 

### US\$2,500 - 4,000

1750-1850 白玉光素鼻煙壺





9050

### 9049

### A ROCK CRYSTAL SNUFF BOTTLE WITH HANDLES 1780-1880

Designed in the form of a miniature baluster vase, with a short waisted neck, recessed lip, the sloping shoulder supporting two animal masks suspending loose rings, the lower section of the bottle carved with lotus petals surrounding a carefully finished circular foot ring; the very pale russet matrix cast with a subtle grayish tinge and marked with natural fissure lines and inclusions. *2 1/2in (6.4cm) high* 

### US\$4,000 - 6,000

1780-1880 水晶雕獸面雙耳鼻煙壺

### 9050 AN AGATE SNUFF BOTTLE

Qianlong mark, 1850-1920

Very well hollowed, the rounded square bottle with a waisted neck, concave lip, the short, slightly flared oval foot ring enclosing the fourcharacter *Qianlong mark* incised in seal script; the stone of pale gray and honey coloration, marked with dark brown spots. *2 1/2in (6.4cm) high* 

### US\$1,500 - 2,500

1850-1920 瑪瑙光素鼻煙壺 《乾隆年製》篆書刻款



9051 (two views)



9052 (two views)

### PROPERTY FROM A PRIVATE NORTHWEST COLLECTION

### 9051

### AN INSIDE-PAINTED GLASS SNUFF BOTTLE

Zhou Leyuan, 1888

Of compressed form, with sloping shoulders and a flat lip, the foot slightly recessed, one side painted with a landscape, the other with birds and a distant waterfall, dated wuzi zhong chun (1888, middle spring) and signed Zhou Leyuan, with a painted seal. 2 1/8in (5.4cm) high

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

### Provenance

Hugh Moss Ltd., by repute

1888 周樂元作 玻璃內畫山水花鳥圖鼻煙壺 《周樂元》款

### 9052

### A CARVED NEPHRITE SNUFF BOTTLE

1780-1820 Upright rounded rectangular form, with a flat lip, carved in low relief with a continuous landscape, supported by an oval foot rim. 2 3/8in (6cm) high

### US\$5,000 - 7,000

1780-1820 青玉帶棕斑刻山水人物鼻煙壺





9054

### PROPERTY FROM THE ESTATE OF JOANNA LAU SULLIVAN

9053

### A JADEITE SNUFF BOTTLE

Republic period, 1911-1949 The rounded bottle with a cylindrical neck, recessed lip, the sides with raised conforming panels; the stone of predominantly apple green color marked with pale russet and lighter color inclusions.

2in (5.1cm) high

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

1911-1949 民國 素面開光翠玉鼻煙壺

### 9054

## A JADEITE 'MAGPIE AND PLUM BLOSSOM' SNUFF BOTTLE 1880-1940

The bottle of circular contour, with a cylindrical neck, recessed lip, raised and concave foot, the main sides carved with two medallions, featuring the 'magpie and plum blossoms' theme, each narrow side further carved in relief with a phoenix perched on a rock; the matrix of an apple-green tone mottled with white patches. *2in* (5.1*cm*) *high* 

### US\$2,000 - 3,000

1880-1940 翠玉雕花鳥紋鼻煙壺

# A WHITE JADE 'DOUBLE-GOURD' SNUFF BOTTLE 1850-1940

Designed in the form of a double-gourd, the sides carved with additional leafy gourds and scrolling tendrils; the evenly-hued white stone polished to an attractive soft luster. *3in (7.6cm) high* 

### US\$3,000 - 5,000

1850-1940 白玉葫蘆形鼻煙壺



9055 (two views)



9056 (two views)

### 9056

### A RARE INSCRIBED COCONUT-SHELL SNUFF BOTTLE 1800-1880

Thinly sectioned, of irregular ovoid profile, one side finely carved with an archaic inscription, followed with engraved characters reading *Mo fuzhoujia ming* (imitating the inscription from (archaic bronze wine vessel *jia*), with an unidentified signature, the reverse lightly and delicately incised with three scholars in a boat floating down a stream under a tree covered precipitous cliff; the incised details washed in gold color.

2in (5.1cm) high

### US\$2,000 - 3,000

1800-1880 椰殼雕山水人物鼻煙壺



9057 (two views)



# A RED OVERLAY 'SNOWFLAKE' GLASS SNUFF BOTTLE 1730-1820

Of compressed ovoid form, with a straight neck, flat lip, spreading oval foot ring, fluidly carved through the cranberry-red overlay with two dynamic chilong, each with finely incised mane and bifurcated tails, against a 'snowflake' suffused semi-transparent ground. *2 3/8in (6cm) high* 

### US\$1,500 - 2,500

1730-1820 雪霏地套紅料螭龍紋鼻煙壺

### 9058

### A FINE CINNABAR LACQUER SNUFF BOTTLE 1800-1880

Built with a metal core, of flattened globular form, the side walls carved with a continuous scene depicting figures at leisure in a landscape with lush trees and rockwork, framed between *wanzi* patterns at neck and vertical lappets surrounding an oval foot ring. *2 5/8in (6.7cm) high* 

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

1800-1880 剔紅高仕山水圖鼻煙壺

9058 (two views)



Lots 9070, 9072, 9077, 9079, 9091





9059

9060 (two views)

### **PROPERTY FROM VARIOUS OWNERS**

#### 9059

### AN ENAMELED YIXING WARE SNUFF BOTTLE 1800-1860

Of upright cylindrical form, with a flat lip and unlgazed foot rim, the body of the bottle with a cobalt blue enamel ground depicting two magpies and flowering prunes branches, the foot with a turquoise glaze.

3 1/4in (8.1cm) high

### US\$2,000 - 3,000

An identical design on a yixing bottle of hexagonal form was sold in these rooms from the collection of Barbara and Marvin Dicker, 16 March 2015, lot 1025. Together the magpie and prunus form a rebus offering a wish of "happiness up to the eyebrows".

1800-1860 宜興紫砂挂藍釉施彩'喜上眉梢'鼻煙壺

### 9060

# AN ENAMELED YIXING WARE SNUFF BOTTLE 1800-1880

Of rounded rectangular form with a cylindrical neck, flat lip, slightly splayed oval foot ring, each side with a recessed panel, one depicting a bird and blossoming tree in enamels, the other with a poem deftly incised into the Yixing, all set against a ground covered with cobalt blue enamel except the mouth and foot rims left unglazed, the interior of the neck and recessed base with an yijun glaze. 2 1/2in (6.4cm) high

### US\$3,000 - 5,000

The incised poem reads: "yigu yijin, wafou jinyu, Shiquan". It can be translated approximately as "Yi(xing) from antiquity or Yi(xing) from today, this earthenware pottery is (as precious as) gold and jade. By Shiquan".

Shiquan was the designation of Wu Yin (1867-1922), a native of Shaoxing, Zhejiang. A Yixing ware teaset with blue enamels bearing his seal that was part of the Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Hawthorn collection of Yixing was sold in our Hong Kong galleries, 27 May 2012, lot 536.

1800-1880 宜興紫砂挂藍釉堆料加彩花鳥帶石泉詩文鼻煙壺

#### AN ENAMELED PORCELAIN SNUFF BOTTLE

Imperial, Jingdezhen kilns, Daoguang mark and of the period, 1821-1850

Of compressed spherical form with rounded lip and oval foot rim, one side enameled with a boy and several chickens, reversed by a boy with a rooster, the foot with a *four-character mark* in iron-red. *2in* (5.1*cm*) *high* 

#### US\$3,000 - 5,000

#### Provenance

Sotheby's, New York, 2-3 Dec 1992, lot 497

1821-1850 清道光 御製瓷胎粉彩童子斗雞鼻煙壺 《道光年製》礬紅篆書款



9061 (two views)



9062 (two views)

#### 9062

#### AN ENAMELED PORCELAIN SNUFF BOTTLE

Imperial, Jingdezhen kilns, Daoguang mark and of the period, 1821-1850

Of flattened circular form with raised panels on each face and raised oval panels on the sides, one face with a figure riding a mule reversed by tall pines and a lingzhi, floral sprays on the side panels ringed with gilding, the bottle supported by an unglazed oval foot rim, with a *four-character mark* in iron-red on the foot.

2 1/4in (5.7cm) high

#### US\$2,000 - 3,000

1821-1850 清道光 御製瓷胎粉彩高士騎驢鼻煙壺 《道光年製》礬紅篆書款



#### AN ENAMELED PORCELAIN SNUFF BOTTLE

Early 19th century Of compressed ovoid form, the body with overglaze enamels, one side with katydid on a leaf, reversed by a cicada on a vine, the details of the insects' body rendered in close detail.

2 1/2in (6.4cm) high

#### US\$2,500 - 4,000

A nearly identical bottle, in the collection of the Palace Museum Beijing is illustrated in Li Juifang, *Gugong Bowuyuan Cang Wenwu Zhenpin Quanji, 47, Bi Yan Hu,* 故宮博物院藏 文物珍品全集, 鼻煙壺, Hong Kong, 2003, no 369, p. 239

十九世紀初 瓷胎粉彩蟈蟈鼻煙壺

9063 (two views)



9064 (two views)

#### 9064

## AN ENAMELED PORCELAIN SNUFF BOTTLE

Imperial, Jingdezhen kilns, Daoguang mark and of the period, 1821-1850 Of compressed globular form with a flat rounded lip and supported by an unglazed oval foot rim, fixed ring mask handles in pastel blue, one side with a battle scene, the principle figures identified by flying banners, reversed by a scene at court, a kneeling figure surrounded by officials, with a *four-character mark* in iron-red to the foot. 2 1/4in (5.7cm) high

### US\$4,000 - 6,000

This snuff bottle trumpets the 1828 victory over one of the many rebellions against Manchu rule occurring in the course of the Qing dynasty. Here we see a battle scene depicting Zhangge'er (Jahangir Khoja, 1788-1828), a leader of the Hui minority, fighting against the Qing army, and later the captured rebel awaiting his ill fate of a brutal disemboweling and execution. The glorification of military successes was a theme of Qing court art, producing not only paintings and copperplate prints, but also snuff bottles as seen by this example. Numerous extent bottles bearing this identical design suggest these bottles may have been presented at court to those who had key roles in the successful pacification of this Northwestern uprising.

1821-1850 清道光 御製瓷胎粉彩歷史故事人 物鼻煙壺 《道光年製》礬紅篆書款

### A MOLDED AND ENAMELED PORCELAIN SNUFF BOTTLE

Qianlong mark, 1820-1880 Of compressed globular form with a flaring gilt lip, a leiwen border around the neck, supported by an unglazed foot rim, the body with a continuous interior scene of four couples enjoying one another's company in various states of undress, bearing an apocryphal four-character *Qianlong mark* to the foot.

2 1/4in (5.7cm) high

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

乾隆款 1820-1880 模製瓷胎粉彩春宮圖鼻 煙壺



9065 (two views)

9066 AN ENAMELED PORCELAIN SNUFF BOTTLE 1800-1850

Of compressed spade form with a flaring gilt lip and a concave foot, the front and back with recessed panels showing figures in famille rose enamels, surrounded by a cobalt wash with plum blossoms and a cracked ice pattern in gilt. 2 1/4in (5.7cm) high

US\$1,200 - 1,800

1800-1850 瓷胎粉彩開光人物帶梅花冰片紋 鼻煙壺



9066 (two views)



## AN ENAMELED PORCELAIN SNUFF BOTTLE

Imperial, Jingdezhen kilns, Daoguang mark and of the period 1821-1850 Of compressed globular form, with a rounded lip and unglazed oval foot rim, the body decorated in overglaze polychrome enamels with figures in a landscape, with the *fourcharacter mark* to the foot in iron-red. *2 1/4in (5.7cm) high* 

#### US\$2,500 - 4,000

1821-1850 清道光 御製瓷胎粉彩'鐘馗嫁妹' 鼻煙壺 《道光年製》礬紅篆書款

9067 (two views)



9068 (two views)

#### 9068 A PORCELAIN 'ZHONGKUI' SNUFF BOTTLE

Jingdezhen kilns, 1800-1850 Of compressed *tianqiuping* form, with molded fixed ring mask handles high on the shoulders at the base of the long neck, one side of the bottle with an iron red Zhong Kui bearing a sword, reversed by Zhong Kui dressed as a scholar, the foot marked with an iron-red demon.

3in (7.1cm) high

US\$1,200 - 1,800

1800-1850 瓷胎鋪首耳礬紅'鐘馗'鼻煙壺

#### AN ENAMELED PORCELAIN 'KATYDID' SNUFF BOTTLE

Imperial, Jingdezhen kilns, Daoguang mark and of the period 1821-1850 The carefully potted rounded bottle with a short waisted neck, very slightly convex lip, painted on either side with a katydid, the enamels in green and yellow with black penciled details, the finely finished foot ring with unglazed foot pad, enclosing the *fourcharacter mark* in iron-red. *2 1/8in (5.4cm) high* 

#### US\$3,000 - 5,000

1821-1850 清道光 御製瓷胎施彩蟈蟈鼻煙壺 《道光年製》礬紅篆書款



9069 (two views)

#### 9070

#### A MOLDED PORCELAIN SNUFF BOTTLE Qianlong mark, Jingdezhen kilns, 1800-1880

Of compressed form, with a flat gilt lip and recessed foot, the body molded with a continuous design of a dragon chasing a flaming pearl amid formalized clouds in ironred with gilding, bearing a four-character *Qianlong mark* to the foot. 2 1/4in (5.7 cm) high

#### US\$4,000 - 6,000

A similarly molded snuff bottle in polychrome enamels rather than iron red was sold in these rooms 20 March 2012, lot 50. Several bottles of this type bear a *Guanyao Neizao* (Made in the Imperial Kilns) mark, a innocuous yet vague reference to imperial aegis, albeit without naming a specific emperor. It is theorized these bottles were produced during the Taiping Rebellion, with the ambiguous mark testifying to uncertain times.

乾隆款 1800-1880 模製瓷胎礬紅'單龍戲珠' 鼻煙壺



9070 (two views)





9072 (two views)

#### 9071

## AN ENAMELED PORCELAIN 'FICTIONAL FIGURES' SNUFF BOTTLE

Imperial, Jingdezhen kilns, Daoguang mark and of the period 1821-1850 Of compressed ovoid form, with overglaze polychrome enamels depicting a continuous riverscape with figures in boats, with a *fourcharacter mark* in seal script to the foot. 2 1/2in (6.3cm) high

#### US\$3,000 - 5,000

The scene depicted is an episode from *Romance of the Three Kingdoms* and illustrates the great military strategist Zhuge Liang sailing through a morning fog to capture 100,000 arrows from the rival general Cao Cao. Here a figure stands on the stern beating a war drum, goading Cao Cao's troops to launch arrows at the false attack, while Zhuge Liang drinks wine with Lu Su in the boat's cabin. The adage cao chuan jie jian 草船借 (borrow arrows using straw boats) expresses an ability to use the strength of others for one's own means.

1821-1850 清道光 御製瓷胎施彩三國演義'草 船借箭'鼻煙壺 《道光年製》礬紅篆書款

#### 9072

## AN ENAMELED PORCELAIN HU-FORM SNUFF BOTTLE

Qianlong mark, Jingdezhen kilns, 1821-1850 Of archaic bronze *hu* form with a rounded everted lip, supported by an unglazed oval foot rim, one side enameled with doves and orchid, reversed by a pekingese pup with bamboo, with an apocryphal four-character iron-red *Qianlong mark* to the foot. *2 1/2in (6.4cm) high* 

#### US\$2,500 - 4,000

The pekingese dog and dove motif was popularly seen on enameled porcelain snuff bottles from the Daoguang period. As noted by Humprhey Hui in *An Imperial Qing Tradition*, Hong Kong, 1994, p. 18 the dog and dove are "two friends" of the scholar.

乾隆款 1821-1850 瓷胎粉彩蘭花動物'壺'形 鼻煙壺





9073

9074

#### A CARVED TOURMALINE SNUFF BOTTLE

Deftly carved as a seated figure of Li Tieguai (the immortal of the iron crutch) with his double gourd vessel, a cloud emanating from the mouth of the gourd, the interior of the bottle well hollowed. 2 1/4in (5.7cm) high

#### US\$2,000 - 3,000

璧爾'李鐵拐'鼻煙壺

#### 9074 **A CARVED CORAL SNUFF BOTTLE** 1750-1820

Of compressed ovoid form with a flat lip and oval foot rim, the body carved in low relief with birds and trees, the details well picked out,

with white markings to the deep salmon pink coral. 2 1/4in (5.7cm) high

#### US\$2,000 - 3,000

1750-1820 珊瑚刻花鳥鼻煙壺



#### A FAMILLE ROSE ENAMEL ON GILT-COPPER 'EUROPEAN SUBJECT' SNUFF BOTTLE

Imperial, Guangzhou, Qianlong four-character mark and of the period, 1750-1795 The rounded body narrowing towards a short neck, with a wide mouth, exposed gilt copper lip and foot rims, the main sides with two shaped reserves on a foliate scrolls-filled ground, each presenting an idyllic landscape, one showing a European lady in a long flowing skirt seated next to rocks in the shade of a large tree, the opposing panel depicting two dogs on a grassland next to a pine tree, the raised, white enameled foot with the *fourcharacter mark* in blue regular script; gilt-metal stopper *en suite*.

1 7/8in (4.8cm) high

#### US\$2,500 - 4,000

1750-1795 御製 廣州 銅胎畫琺瑯西洋人物 圖鼻煙壺 乾隆四字楷書款

9075 (two views)



#### 9076

#### A MOLDED AND ENAMELED PORCELAIN 'GRAPES AND SQUIRREL' SNUFF BOTTLE

Jingdezhen kilns, 1790-1830 Molded as a fussy squirrel in prone position holding a bunch of grapes and lotus leaves between its paws and tail, its eyes picked out in black, its body stippled for effect. 2 1/2 (6.4cm) high

US\$2,000 - 3,000

1790-1830 模製瓷胎粉彩'鬆鼠葡萄'鼻煙壺

## AN INSIDE-PAINTED ROCK CRYSTAL SNUFF BOTTLE

Zhou Leyuan, 1891 Of rounded rectangular form with a slightly spreading neck, flat lip, splayed oval foot ring, painted in black ink and subdued colors depicting a misty garden with rocks and various florals, further accented with small insects; one side inscribed *Wei Mingshan jian zhi* (made under the supervision of Wei Mingshan), with a red seal cartouche, the other side inscribed *Qing Bada Shanren bi yi* (in the style of Bada Shanren from the Qing dynasty), dated *xinmau* (1891), signed *Zhou Leyuan*, followed with one red seal mark. 2 1/2in (6.4cm) high

#### US\$2,500 - 4,000

1891 周樂元作 內畫水晶花草昆虫鼻煙壺 《周樂元》款



9077 (two views)

9078

#### AN INSIDE-PAINTED GLASS SNUFF BOTTLE

Attributed to Zhou Leyuan, dated 1888 Of rounded rectangular form, with a cylindrical neck, flat lip, spreading oval foot ring, painted in muted colors on one side with a herd boy on a water buffalo near a village with trees and houses, the reverse decorated with an aged plum tree with sparse blossoms, dated *wuzi* (1888), with a signature reading 'Leyuan', followed with a red seal mark. *2 1/3in (6cm) high* 

US\$1,000 - 1,500

周樂元風格 內畫玻璃牧童放牛鼻煙壺 《戊子》 《樂元》款



9078 (two views)





### 9080 (two views)

#### 9079 A CHERRY AMBER SNUFF BOTTLE

The rounded body flanked with two faux lion mask-and-ring handles, with a cylindrical neck, a flat lip, the underside finished with a rounded oval foot ring; the matrix of evenly-hued transparent honey tone and displaying crazing lines. *2in* (5.1*cm*) *high* 

US\$2,000 - 3,000

鋪首雙耳復合琥珀鼻煙壺

## 9080

## AN EMBELLISHED AMBER CABINET BOTTLE 1880-1940

The large rounded rectangular bottle flanked with two faux lion mask-and-ring handles at shoulders, standing upon an oval foot ring, encased with gilt metal filigree work with inlaid coral and turquoise-colored beads, the main sides with applied stone and mother-of-pearl decoration, carved to depict birds and flowers. *3 3/8in (8.5 cm) high* 

#### US\$2,000 - 3,000

1880-1940 琥珀套鍍金鈿工嵌雜寶'百鳥朝鳳'鼻煙壺





9081 (two views)

#### 9081

## TWO CLOISONNÉ ENAMELED SNUFF BOTTLES

1880-1930

Identically designed, the tapering body with indented corners supported by a square foot ring, rising to a sloping shoulder, with waisted neck, flat lip, each main side featuring the auspicious 'pine and crane' motif, separated by classic lotus flowers on the narrow sides that repeat on the shoulder of the bottle and the matching stopper. 2 1/4in (5.7cm) high

#### US\$1,500 - 2,500

1880-1930 景泰藍'鬆鶴延年'鼻煙壺兩隻

## 9082

#### A CLOISONNÉ ENAMELED SNUFF BOTTLE Qianlong mark

Of cylindrical bottle form, with a flat gilt lip and gilt foot, the body with a design of bats and lotus on a yellow ground, with a four-character *Qianlong mark* incised on the base, with a corresponding stopper. *2 3/8in (6.1cm) high* 

US\$2,000 - 3,000

#### Provenance

Leslie Hindman, Chicago, 6 May 2009, lot 765

乾隆款 景泰藍福壽鼻煙壺







9085

#### 9083

## A COPPER-RED AND UNDERGLAZE BLUE PORCELAIN SNUFF BOTTLE

Jingdezhen kilns, 1820-1880 Well-potted, of tall cylindrical form, with a waisted neck, wide mouth, rounded lip, the side walls painted in copper-red with stylized lotus blossoms, each surrounded by intertwined scrolling vines, the recessed foot framed by a neatly finished foot ring; foot pad unglazed. *3 1/8in (7.9cm) high* 

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

1820-1880 瓷胎青花釉裡紅番蓮花紋鼻煙壺

#### 9084

#### A FAMILLE ROSE ENAMELED AND GILT-DECORATED PORCELAIN SNUFF BOTTLE

Qianlong mark, 1790-1850 Of upright cylindrical form, tapering at the shoulders, with an everted gilt lip and an unglazed circular foot, with two panels depicting roosters amid lingzhi, the panels surrounded by an even coral ground with overglaze gilding of stylized lotus, with an iron-red *four- character mark* on the deeply recessed foot. *3in (7.6cm) high* 

#### US\$1,200 - 1,800

乾隆款 1790-1850 瓷胎描金粉彩開光雄雞 鼻煙壺

#### 9085 AN UNIQUE ANHUA DECORATED PORCELAIN SNUFF BOTTLE

Jingdezhen kilns, Qianlong mark, 1790-1850 Of gently tapering ovoid form with a cylindrical neck, subtly everted lip, circular foot ring, the sides decorated with two spirited Buddhist lions wrestling amidst clouds and flames, the incised decorated filled with the glaze displaying a very pale celadon tinge; the foot ring with unglazed foot pad enclosing the *four-character mark*. *3in (7.6cm) high* 

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

For a similarly incised and glazed snuff bottle, decorated with dragons, see the Meriam Collection of Snuff Bottles, sold at Christie's New York 19 September 2007, lot 687.

乾隆款 1790-1850 瓷胎刻暗花獅子舞球鼻 煙壺

#### AN EMBELLISHED AND LACQUERED METAL SNUFF BOTTLE

Japan, Tsuda family style, 20th century The main sides with applied stone, carved and painted over a red lacquer ground with fictional scenes, one depicting a woman on a buffalo, attended by three boys, the reverse featuring two boys standing near a large flower vase on a cart, each side with a lacquered description matching the respective scene, the narrow sides painted in lacquer with nine various emblems, with eight small pearl beads surrounding the neck; the short foot ring enclosing an apocryphal *Qianlong mark*.

2 7/8in (7.2cm) high

#### US\$2,500 - 4,000

9087

1750-1850

二十世紀 日本 津田家族風格 紅漆嵌雜寶故事 人物鼻煙壺

A WHITE JADE SNUFF BOTTLE

1750-1850 白玉卵石形刻壽桃鼻煙壺

matrix of icy white inclusions. 2 3/8in (6.1cm) high

US\$2,500 - 4,000

Of pebble form, the body wrapped with a leafy peach branch in high relief, the stone with a



9086 (two views)





9088 (two views)



9089 (two views)

## 9088

#### A DUAN STONE SNUFF BOTTLE Imperial, 1760-1820

Of flattened globular shape, with a flat lip and a flat, oval foot, finely carved in low relief with three stylized kui dragons forming the character for *long* (dragon) on one side, reversed by naturalistic dragons surround a poetic inscription, the sides with fixed ring lion mask handles, the lions with the distinctive 'official's hat.'

2 1/4in (5.7cm) high

#### US\$3,000 - 5,000

A nearly identical bottle with the same inscription is illustrated in Humphrey K.F. Hui and Christopher C.H. Sin *An Imperial Qing Tradition*, Hong Kong, 1994 no 114. As translated by Hui and Sin, the poem reads:

Duanxi nurtures fine materials, Smooth and tender as beautiful jade. Imperial manufacture.

This bottle belongs to a small group produced in Guangzhou-the location of the duan stone quarries--for the imperial court during the late Qianlong/Jiaqing periods. For similar bottles that also bear the distinctive 'Chinese hat' motif see Moss, Graham, Tsang, *A Treasury of Chinese Snuff Bottles: The Mary and George Bloch Collection*, Hong Kong, 1998, vol. 3, no. 393; Moss, Graham and Tsang, *The Art of the Chinese Snuff Bottle, The J & J Collection*, New York, 1993, no. 347; and Holden, *Rivers and Mountains Far From The World*, Hong Kong, 1994, no 4.

1760-1820 御製端石刻夔龍鋪首耳鼻煙壺

#### 9089

#### AN ENAMELED GLASS SNUFF BOTTLE,

Qianlong Mark, Yangzhou, 1780-1850 Of flattened pear form, the milky body delicately painted with a bird on a persimmon branch, reversed by flying birds amid blossoms, all below a stylized ruyi head band at the very slightly flaring neck, the flat foot enameled with a *four-character mark* in ironred.

2 1/4in (5.7cm) high

#### US\$4,000 - 6,000

乾隆款 揚州工 1780-1850 白料胎畫琺琅'春風 如意'鼻煙壺

## TWO BLUE AND WHITE PORCELAIN SNUFF BOTTLES

Jingdezhen kilns, 1800-1860 The first of straight cylindrical form with a waisted neck, thin rounded lip, the side walls painted with a battle scene over water, possibly an episode from the historical novel 'Romance of the Three Kingdoms', the slightly inwarded foot ring enclosing an apocryphal *Yongzheng mark*; the second designed with a gently tapering cylindrical body, short waisted neck, wide lip, the sides decorated with numerous deer in various poses near a pine tree in a hilly landscape, the recessed foot painted with an additional recumbent deer within a inwarded foot ring. *2 3/4 and 2 7/8in (7 and 7.2cm) high* 

#### US\$1,500 - 2,500

1800-1860 青花瓷胎鼻煙壺兩隻



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#### 9091 AN UNDERGLAZE BLUE AND FAMILLE ROSE ENAMELED PORCELAIN SNUFF BOTTLE

Jingdezhen kilns, Yongzheng mark, 1820-1860

The moon flask-form bottle built with a cylindrical neck, flat lip, both main sides painted with children holding flower branches in their hands on raised circular panels, and separated by conforming raised panels on the narrow sides, painted with ribbon-tied scrolls and a stag antler, all against a swastika pattern-decorated ground rendered in underglaze blue; the recessed base with the four-character *Yongzheng mark* within a thin oval foot ring.

2 1/4in (5.7cm) high

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

雍正款 1820-1860 青花粉彩瓷胎童子嬉戲圖 鼻煙壺





#### A MOLDED AND ENAMELED PORCELAIN 'DRAGON AND PHOENIX' SNUFF BOTTLE

Possibly Imperial, Jingdezhen kilns, 1796-1820

Of elongated, tapering ovoid form rising to its deeply waisted neck beneath a giltheightened flat lip, molded on one side with a three-clawed dragon chasing a flaming pearl, reversed with a phoenix in flight in pursuit of a ruyi scepter, amidst dense clouds, framed between bands of ruyi-head and keyfret patterns on the neck; covered all over with various colored enamels, the footrim highlighted in gilt, and the recessed base with an unidentified seal mark in iron-red. *3in (7.6 cm) high* 

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

1796-1820 擬宮廷作坊 模製粉彩龍鳳祥雲鼻 煙壺

9092 (two views)



9093 (two views)

#### 9093

### AN ENAMELED PORCELAIN CABINET 'DRAGON' BOTTLE

1850-1911 Of octagonal profile, with a cylindrical neck, slightly convex lip, the sides painted in enamels with nine rampant dragon striding through clouds and flames in pursuit of a precious pearl above roaming ocean waves; the circular foot ring enclosing an additional flaming jewel. *4 3/4in (12.1cm) high* 

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#### US\$2,000 - 3,000

1850-1911 彩繪瓷胎'祥龍戲珠'海水紋鼻煙壺

#### 9094 THREE UNDERGLAZE BLUE AND COPPER-RED PORCELAIN SNUFF BOTTLES

Jingdezhen kilns, 19th century The first of cylindrical form with a waisted neck, wide mouth, flat lip, painted to the side walls painted with three camels approaching a gate with an overhead sign reading 'Erli Gou', the slightly inward foot ring enclosing a figure with his arms raised in the air; the second and third bottles each with an apocryphal Yongzheng mark on its base, one of an elongated ovoid form, the sides decorated with a placid scene of geese and river, the other of a miniature jarlet shape, painted with court figures on horsebacks, and greeted by a bowing man standing by the gate of a crenellated wall with a sign reading 'Desheng Men'.

2 1/2 to 3 1/4in (6.4 to 8.3cm) high

#### US\$1,500 - 2,500

Compare a very similar porcelain bottle painted with a man leading a camel towards a gate, also with a sign of 'Erli Gou', from the Meriam snuff bottle collection, sold at Christie's, New York, 19 September 2007, lot 644.

十九世紀 青花釉裡紅瓷胎鼻煙壺三隻

#### 9095

## THREE MINIATURE SNUFF BOTTLES

Late 19th/early 20th century The first of ovoid form with a crackle green glaze, the second of compressed tianqiuping form with an unglazed foot rim, the body with a tomato red glaze, the third an agate bottle, of compressed form, with geese and reeds. 1 1/2in (4cm) height of the tallest

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

十九世紀末/二十世紀初 小型鼻煙壺三隻



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#### 9096

## A WHITE JADE 'LOTUS POND' SNUFF BOTTLE

1780-1850

Of flatten rounded rectangular form rising to a straight neck and a flat lip, supported by a short oval foot rim, the exteriors carved with carp and mandarin ducks in a lotus pond; the matrix of celadon tinge with icy specks.

2 1/2in (6.3cm) high

#### US\$3,000 - 5,000

#### Provenance

Private Florida Collection

1780-1850 白玉'連年好和'鼻煙壺

#### 9097

#### A CARVED CAMEO CHALCEDONY SNUFF BOTTLE Official School, 1750-1860

Well-hollowed, of rounded square form with a cylindrical neck and flat lip, oval foot ring, carved with a cameo design of a figure riding a horse with his attendant aside in white; the stone of pale honey tone. 2 1/8in (5.5cm) high

US\$7,000 - 9,000

#### Provenance

Levine & Perutz Collection, TX

頒賜品 1750-1860 巧雕瑪瑙踏青歸來鼻煙壺





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#### 9098

### A CARVED WHITE JADE SNUFF BOTTLE

1780-1850

Well-hollowed, the pebble form bottle decorated with well-carved leafy branches; the stone with a faint gray tinge marked with russet specks. *2 1/2in (6.3cm) high* 

US\$3,000 - 5,000

**Provenance** Private San Francisco Collection

1780-1850 卵石形白玉雕枝葉鼻煙壺

#### 9099 A CARVED GRAYISH JADE SNUFF BOTTLE 1780-1850

Of oval form rising to a straight neck and flat lip, all standing on a short foot, the exterior carved with a figure carrying a peach branch strolling in the mountain; the stone of grayish tinge with icy inclusions and dark specks.

2 1/2in (6.3cm) high

US\$3,000 - 5,000

#### Provenance

Tilton Collection, WI

1780-1850 灰白玉雕人物山景鼻煙壺





9101 (two views)

#### 9100

## A CARVED CELADON JADE SNUFF BOTTLE

1780-1850

Of melon form, the bottle carved with a butterfly flying among leafy branches; the stone of celadon tinge with very faint russet marks. *2 1/2in (6.3cm) high* 

#### US\$3,000 - 5,000

**Provenance** Private Florida Collection

1780-1850 青白玉瓜碟綿綿鼻煙壺

#### 9101

## AN EMBELLISHED LACQUER ON METAL SNUFF BOTTLE

Tsuda Family, Kyoto, Japan, 1890-1930 Of flattened spade form rising to a slightly everted rim, short oval foot rinng, the recessed base marked with *Qianlong nianzhi* in iron-red, the exterior walls decorated with boys catching butterflies and at play on a red ground. 2 3/4in (7cm) high

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US\$4,000 - 6,000

### Provenance

Mary-Jane Walt, Lincoln, NE

1890-1930 日本津田家族作 金屬胎紅漆嵌雜寶人物鼻煙壺





AN INSIDE-PAINTED GLASS SNUFF BOTTLE Attributed to Ma Shaoxuan

Of compressed form with a flat lip and oval foot rim surrounding a convex foot, one side painted with landscape, reversed by an inscription in regular script, signed Ma Shaoxuan with one painted artist's seal. 2 3/8in (5.8cm) high

US\$2,000 - 3,000

馬少宣風格 內畫玻璃山水圖鼻煙壺 《馬少宣》款

9102 (two views)



#### 9103

#### AN UNUSUAL INSIDE-PAINTED AGATE SNUFF BOTTLE 1880-1930

Of compressed form, with a slightly concave lip and a rounded oval foot rim, the interior painted in the Ye family style with ladies in a garden setting. *2 1/4in (5.7cm) high* 

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

1880-1930 瑪瑙內畫仕女圖鼻煙壺

9103 (two views)

#### 9104 AN INSIDE-PAINTED ROCK CRYSTAL SNUFF BOTTLE

Ye family studio, 1916

Of upright form with sloping shoulders and a flat lip and an oval foot rim, the interior painted with a continuous scene of gentlemen in a garden engaged in erudite activities, dated *bingchen* (1916), and signed Ye Zhongsan with a painted seal. *2 5/8in (6.7cm) high* 

## US\$2,000 - 3,000

1916 葉氏家族作 水晶內畫仕人圖鼻煙壺 《葉仲三作》款



9104 (two views)

9105

# AN INSIDE-PAINTED AND INCISED ROCK CRYSTAL SNUFF BOTTLE

Ye Family studios, 1938, the bottle: 1750-1880 Of compressed for with a flat lip and oval foot rim, the exterior carved in low relief with a pine and lotus, the interior painted with scholars and an attendant in a garden, reversed by fisherman, dated *wuyin* (1938) and signed Ye Zhongsan with a painted seal. 2 3/8in (6.1cm) high

US\$3,000 - 5,000

1938 葉氏家族作 水晶內畫人物刻松蓮紋鼻煙壺 壺:1750-1880



9105 (two views)



## A LIME-GREEN OVERLAY GLASS SNUFF BOTTLE 1750-1800

Of flattened ovoid form with a flat lip and an oval foot rim surrounding a recessed flat base, the body with a pale, lime green glass overlay on an opaline ground, with a continuous landscape with a figure on a water buffalo approaching a compound. 2 1/4in (5.7cm) high

US\$1,000 - 1,500

1750-1800 白地套檸檬綠料牧童圖鼻煙壺

9106 (two views)



## 9107

#### A FIVE-COLOR GLASS OVERLAY SNUFF BOTTLE 1820-1900

Of compressed pear form, with an oval foot rim, the ground opalescent, with fruit bearing plants and a bat in high relief. *2in (5cm) high* 

US\$1,200 - 1,500

1820-1900 雪霏地五色套料蝙蝠花卉鼻煙壺

9107 (two views)

#### 9108 AN INSIDE-PAINTED ROCK CRYSTAL SNUFF BOTTLE

Gan Xuanwen, early 19th century

Of rectangular shape tapering at the foot, with carved raised panels on each face, below a cylindrical neck and resting on a carved flat foot, the inside finely painted with ink and colors, one face with landscape, the reverse with an inscription in clerical script signed Nanyue Gugang qiao ('The Woodcutter of Gugang'). 2 1/4in (5.7cm) high

#### US\$2,000 - 3,000

十九世紀早期 甘烜文作 水晶內畫山水鼻煙壺



<sup>9108 (</sup>two views)

#### 9109

### AN INSIDE-PAINTED ROCK CRYSTAL 'LOTUS POND' SNUFF BOTTLE

Ye Family Studio, 1913

Well-hollowed, the compressed globular bottle supported by a splayed oval foot ring, with a straight neck, flat lip, the interior painted to depict a lively lotus pond with golden fish swimming under large blossoms and umbrella-like stemmed leaves; one side dated *guichou zhongqiu* (midautumn of 1913), finished with a Ye Zhongsan signature and a small red seal mark. *2 1/8in (5.4cm) high* 

#### US\$1,200 - 1,800

葉氏家族 1913 內畫水晶金魚荷塘鼻煙壺



9109 (two views)



## A PALE CELADON JADE INCISED SNUFF BOTTLE 1770-1820

Of flattened meiping form, with an everted lip and a concave foot, the stone with icy white inclusions and a russet streak, one side incised with a blossoming plum tree, reversed by a poem incised in regular script. *2 3/8in (6cm) high* 

### US\$3,000 - 5,000

The author of the poem is the Qianlong emperor. The same verse appears on a jade snuff bottle formerly in the collection of Mary and George Bloch, sold in our Hong Kong galleries 27 May 2012 lot 14, as well as a jade screen in the collection of the National Palace Museum Taipei. For the bottle see Moss, Graham and Tsang *A Treasury of Chinese Snuff Bottles* : *The Mary and George Bloch Collection*,Volume 1, No. 108.

1770-1820 青白玉刻御題詩鼻煙壺

9110 (two views)



9111 (two views)

#### 9111

## A BLACK JADE SNUFF BOTTLE

Suzhou school, late Qing dynasty Very well-hollowed, of compressed globular form with a slightly waisted neck, subtly recessed rim and foot, finely carved to one side in relief presumably depicting Wang Xizhi and an attendant with geese under an arching pine, reversed with a pine and rocks, the carving details carefully designed to best utilize the natural color variations of the matrix, dominated with charcoal black and cast with white and gray.

2 1/2in (6.2cm) high

US\$4,000 - 6,000

晚清 蘇州風格 黑玉刻王羲之賞鵝圖鼻煙壺

#### A POLYCHROME ENAMEL PORCELAIN SNUFF BOTTLE

Jingdezhen kilns, Tongzhi mark and of the period, 1861-1875

Of flattened pear form with a rounded lip and an unglazed oval foot rim, the body with four five clawed dragons chasing gilt flaming pearls on an incised wave ground, the foot with a *four-character mark* in iron red. *2 7/8in (7cm) high* 

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

清同治 1861-1875 瓷胎繪'祥龍戲珠'鼻煙壺 《同治年製》礬紅款



9112 (two views)



Of flattened form, the opaque white glass enameled on both sides showing a scene of an itinerant merchant, the flat foot bearing faint traces of a *Gu Yue Xuan mark*. 2 1/4in (5.7cm) high

#### US\$4,000 - 6,000

十九世紀 涅白料胎畫琺瑯貨郎圖鼻煙壺 《古月軒》藍料楷書款



9113 (two views)





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#### 9114

## A SILVERED METAL CONJOINED DOUBLE SNUFF BOTTLE 1880-1920

Each bottle in the form of a double gourd, further decorated with leaves and floral motifs, supported by oval foot rims, embellished with carnelian inlay, with conforming stoppers. 1 7/8in (4.7cm) exclusive of the stopper

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

A nearly identical formed metal bottle, enameled but lacking the hardstone embellishment, was formerly in the collection of Eric Young. See Sotheby's, Hong Kong, 28 October 1993, lot 1170.

1880-1920 金屬鍍銀鑲玉髓石葫蘆形鼻煙壺

#### 9115

## AN IRON-RED PAINTED PORCELAIN 'LONGEVITY' SNUFF BOTTLE

Jingdezhen kilns, Qianlong mark and of the period, 1735-1796 Of compressed double gourd form, with a flat, flaring gilt lip and a concave foot, the body in iron-red enamels with each side adorned with scrolling lotus surrounding a gilt stylized shou character, the base with a *four-character mark* in iron-red enclosed by a rectangle. 2 1/2in (6.5cm) high

#### US\$3,000 - 5,000

清乾隆 1735-1796 瓷胎礬紅繪纏枝蓮紋壽字鼻煙壺 《乾隆年製》礬紅篆書款





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9117

## A SHADOW CHALCEDONY SNUFF BOTTLE

1780-1850

Of flattened oval form with some depressions, well-hollowed with a concave lip, the convex base enclosed by an oval footrim, the dark russet vein on one side carved away to depict two birds. *2 3/4in (7cm) high* 

### US\$2,000 - 3,000

1780-1850 瑪瑙巧雕鳥紋鼻煙壺

#### 9117 **A SHADOW AGATE SNUFF BOTTLE** 1750-1860

Of compressed form, with a slightly concave lip and a flat oval foot surrounded by an oval foot rim, the stone carved to highlight the natural inclusions, with a hawk standing upon a rock looking upwards at the sun, the raptor's feathers finely articulated. *2in (5cm) high* 

US\$1,200 - 1,800

#### Provenance

Christie's, New York, 10 March 1999, lot 71

1750-1860 瑪瑙巧雕英雄獨立圖鼻煙壺

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9119 (two views)

## 9118 A JADEITE SNUFF BOTTLE CARVED WITH PINES

1780-1850 Of compressed ovoid form, with a flat lip and an oval foot rim, the body carved in low relief with bamboo and pine, fixed ring handles on the sides, the stone with splashes of emerald green and white. *2in (5cm) high* 

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

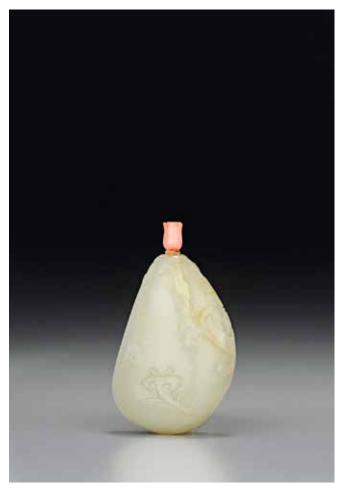
1780-1850 翠玉雕松樹紋鼻煙壺

#### 9119 **A WHITE JADE SNUFF BOTTLE** 1750-1850

Of compressed form with a flat lip and oval foot the body of the bottle carved in low relief with pine, bamboo and plum--the 'three friends of winter'--the stone an even tone with white inclusions. *2in (5cm) high* 

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

1750-1850 白玉雕歲寒三友圖鼻煙壺





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9121 (two views)

### 9120 A WHITE AND RUSSET JADE SNUFF BOTTLE

1820-1880 Of natural pebble form, the body carved in low relief with a lingzhi and writhing chilong, the stone an even color, with the exception of bold russet splashes to the reverse. *2 1/8in (5.4cm) high* 

## US\$2,000 - 3,000

1820-1880 白玉螭龍靈芝紋鼻煙壺

### 9121

## A JADEITE SNUFF BOTTLE

Of rounded rectangular form with a straight neck and high oval foot rim, one side carved in low relief with birds and lotus, the reverse with an incised four- character inscription in seal script reading *mei yu wen wan*.

2 1/2in (6.5cm) high

US\$1,000 - 1,500

翡翠花鳥鼻煙壺



9122 (two views)



#### 9123 (three views)

9122

## AN INSIDE-PAINTED ROCK CRYSTAL SNUFF BOTTLE

Ye Zhongsan, 1909

Of flattened pear form, with a flat lip and oval foot rim, one side painted with fish swimming amid water plants, reversed by ladies on horseback, inscribed with a date of *jiyou* (1909) and signed Ye Zhongsan with a painted seal.

2 1/4in (5.7cm) high

US\$2,000 - 3,000

1909 葉仲三作 水晶內畫穆桂英鼻煙壺 《葉仲三》款

#### 9123

## AN INSIDE-PAINTED SMOKEY CRYSTAL SNUFF BOTTLE

Ye family, 1922 Upright rounded rectangular form, with a flat lip and rounded rectangular foot rim, each face painted with an image of a seated bodhisattva, one dressed in a red robe, the other dressed in yellow and supported by a lotus blossom, inscribed on one side with a date of *renxu* (1922) and signed Ye Zhongsan followed by a painted seal. *2in (5cm) high* 

#### US\$1,500 - 2,000

1922 葉氏家族 煙晶內畫佛陀像鼻煙壺 《葉仲三》款

#### A RED GLASS OVERLAY SNUFF BOTTLE 1770-1820

Of flattened ovoid shape, the think ruby red overlay on a bubble suffused ground, with a thin lip and a flat oval foot rim, one side carved with a female immortal and deer, reversed with a figure and monkey presenting peaches to an immortal in a pavilion with a crane. 2 1/2in (6.2cm) high

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

1770-1820 涅白地套紅料'靈猴獻壽'紋鼻煙壺



9124 (two views)

#### 9125 A CARNELIAN SNUFF BOTTLE 18th century

Carved in high relief with two clambering chilong with lingzhi, the stone primarily of a brick-red tone with a white patches. 2 1/2in (6.4cm) high

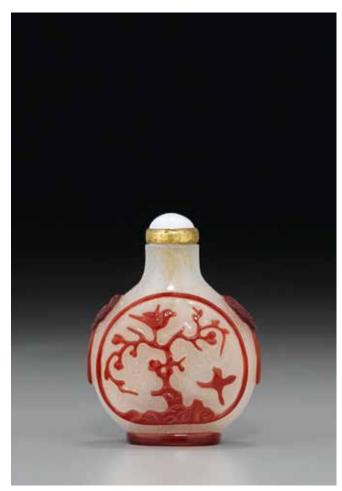
#### US\$1,200 - 1,800

A very similar bottle of the same material is cataloged as probably Imperial and dated 1730-1820. See Moss, Graham and Tsang *A Treasury of Chinese Snuff Bottles, The Mary and George Bloch Collection*, Vol. 2, Part 2, Hong Kong, 2008, pp. 430-432, no. 338.

十八世紀 紅玉髓雕螭龍靈芝紋鼻煙壺



9125 (two views)





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### 9126 A RED OVERLAY GLASS SNUFF BOTTLE

1820-1880

Of flattened form, with a ruby red overaly on a snowstorm ground, each side with one or two magpies flying around a single plum trees, elongated ring mask handles on the shoulders, with a red oval foot rim.

2 1/4in (5.7cm) high

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

1820-1880 雪霏地套紅料'喜上眉梢'紋鼻煙壺

## 9127

## A GREEN OVERLAY WHITE GLASS 'CHILONG' SNUFF BOTTLE 1720-1780

The bottle of ovoid outline, with a gently waisted neck, flat lip, oval foot ring, carved through the opaque green overlay to the milky white ground with four sinuous chilong, some details rendered with carefully incised lines.

2 1/2in (6.4cm) high

US\$4,000 - 6,000

#### Provenance

Sotheby's, New York, 3 October 1980, lot 39 Collection of Mrs. Galia Baylin, Hong Kong

1720-1780 涅白地套綠料刻螭龍鼻煙壺





9128

9129 (two views)

## 9128 A PALE CELADON JADE SNUFF BOTTLE

1760-1820 Of attenuated pear shape, with a flat lip and a concave oval foot, the stone with an even color. 2 1/2in (6.2cm) high

#### US\$1,500 - 2,000

1760-1820 素面青白玉鼻煙壺

#### 9129

#### **AN EMBELLISHED WHITE AND RUSSET JADE SNUFF BOTTLE** The bottle: 1820-1920, embellishment: Tsuda family, Kyoto, Japan,

20th century

One side of the rounded rectangular bottle of convex profile, decorated with applied stones, carved and painted in lacquer, gilt and color with a seated woman gazing at flowers in a vase on a low table, the upper right with an inscription, the reverse with a mostly flat surface retaining a layer of rich russet skin, decorated with an emaciated female figure playing a qin in a garden with flowering trees, and her servant holding a fan standing nearby. *2 3/8in (6cm) high* 

#### US\$4,000 - 6,000

壺:1820-1920 嵌飾:二十世紀日本津田家族 帶皮白玉嵌雜寶人物鼻煙壺





9131

9130 (two views)

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#### AN ENAMELED PORCELAIN 'KATYDID' SNUFF BOTTLE

Imperial, Jingdezhen kilns, Daoguang mark and of the period, 1821-1850

The bottle of compressed form with a rounded lip and unglazed oval foot rim, sensitively painted in enamels with black penciled details depicting a katydid on an overturned cage, the reverse featuring the same insect with long thin antennae, the concave foot with the iron red *four-character mark* in seal script. *2 1/2in (6.2cm) high* 

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

1821-1850 清道光 御製瓷胎粉彩蟈蟈鼻煙壺 《道光年製》礬紅篆書款

#### 9131

#### AN ENAMELED PORCELAIN SNUFF BOTTLE

Jingdezhen kilns, 19th century Of tapering rounded rectangular form, with a rounded lip and an unglazed foot rim, the foot unmarked, each side enameled with a single insect. *2 3/8in (6.1cm) high* 

US\$1,000 - 1,500

十九世紀 瓷胎粉彩蟈蟈鼻煙壺





9132

9133 (two views)

#### 9132 AN ENAMELED AND GILT PORCELAIN 'WATCH' SNUFF BOTTLE

#### Jingdezhen kilns, 1780-1850

Of round form with a cylindrical neck, the sides and neck of the bottle in underglaze blue, each face with a clock, the hours indicated in ink as the twelve earthly branches, the hands in iron red and gilding. 2 1/2in (6.4cm) high

# US\$1,200 - 1,500

Whereas snuff bottles adopting the aesthetic characteristics of a clock or pocket watch are known in several collections, it is very unusual to have the hours indicated with the traditional Chinese use of the twelve earthly branches as seen here. Primarily other clock-form bottles--also in porcelain as well as glass and crystal--show the hours in Arabic or Roman numerals, emphasizing the mechanism's European origins.

1780-1850 瓷胎釉彩描金懷表紋鼻煙壺

# 9133

# A POLYCHROME ENAMELED PORCELAIN 'LIU HAI AND TOAD' SNUFF BOTTLE

Jingdezhen kilns, 1830-1880 The ovoid bottle finished with a waisted neck, flared lip, similarly painted in enamels to either main side with the Daoist immortal Liu Hai teasing a toad amidst cloud scrolls. *2 1/4in (5.6cm) high* 

# US\$1,000 - 1,500

1830-1880 多彩瓷胎'劉海戲蟾'鼻煙壺



# 9134

#### TWO FAMILLE ROSE ENAMELED SNUFF BOTTLES 1796-1850

Two similar bottles, of compressed form with waisted necks, flat lips and unglazed oval foot rims, molded ring mask handles, painted with landscapes, titled in ink on each side *Huazhou Chunxiao* (Spring dawn of Blossom Island) reversed by *Donghu Ye Yue* (Evening moon on the East Lake), the foot with apocryphal *Qianlong mark* and *Yongzheng mark* in iron red.

2 5/8in (6.7cm) high, the larger

# US\$2,000 - 3,000

These bottles are part of a larger group of porcelains produced during the Jiaqing and Daoguang periods that are decorated with fencai enamels featuring the famous sites of Nanchang and Jiangxi Province.

1796-1850 粉彩繪'花舟春曉'及'冬湖月夜'圖 鼻煙壺兩只 《乾隆年製》及《雍正年製》礬紅款

9134



9135 (two views)

# 9135

# AN ENAMELED PORCELAIN 'KATYDID AND CAGE' SNUFF BOTTLE

Imperial, Jingdezhen kilns, Daoguang mark and of the period

Of compressed form, with an unglazed oval foot rim, each side enameled with an insect, one standing atop a small basket and the other inside its cage, with the *four-character mark* in iron red to the foot. 2 1/4in (5.7cm) high

# US\$3,000 - 5,000

The motif of katydid and cage combination is a rebus for the Chinese phrase of *jinzhong baoguo*, meaning 'to be loyal to one's country'. Snuff bottles with this theme can be found with a variety of design combinations. Compare similar bottles from the Marcia J. Howard Collection, sold by our New York rooms, March 14th, 2016, sale 23744, lots 6002, and 6011.

1821-1850 清道光 御製粉彩瓷胎'盡忠報國' 鼻煙壺 《道光年製》礬紅篆書款





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# 9136 A JADEITE SNUFF BOTTLE

# 1750-1830

Of compressed ovoid form with a flat lip and flat oval foot, the body carved with five bats bearing a branch of peaches and a string of cash, the translucent stone with splashes of emerald green. *2 1/8 (5.2cm) high* 

# US\$1,000 - 1,500

# Provenance

Robert Kleiner, by repute

1750-1830 翠玉雕'福壽雙全'紋鼻煙壺

# 9137

#### A CAMEO CHALCEDONY SNUFF BOTTLE Official School, 1760-1840

The well-hollowed bottle of compressed form, with a flat lip and oval foot rim, one side carved using the white inclusion on one side with a cameo design of a bird on a blossoming branch, reversed with a carving in low relief of a crane. 2 1/2in (6.4cm) high

# US\$1,000 - 1,500

頒賜品 1760-1840 瑪瑙巧雕鷹鶴圖鼻煙壺



# 9138

# AN ENAMELED PORCELAIN SNUFF BOTTLE

Imperial, Jingdezhen kilns, Daoguang mark and of the period

Of compressed form, with raised panels each side of the body, painted in soft-hued enamels on one side with two frolicking Pekinese in garden, the verso featuring a pair of doves by orchid, separated by two side panels decorated with leafy chrysanthemums and peonies; the gently spreading foot ring framing the *four-character mark* painted in iron-red. 2 1/16in (5.3cm) high

# US\$1,500 - 2,500

1821-1850 清道光 御製粉彩瓷胎犬鴿紋鼻 煙壺 《道光年製》礬紅篆書款

9138 (two views)



#### 9139

#### AN ENAMELED PORCELAIN 'LANDSCAPE' SNUFF BOTTLE

Imperial, Jingdezhen kilns, Daoguang mark and of the period

Of rounded rectangular form, with a straight cylindrical neck, slightly rounded and recessed lip, the side walls decorated with a continuous tranquil landscape fore fronted with dwellings nestled in the shade of large trees, figures boating in river, and mountains in distance, the narrow sides molded with lion mask-and-ring handles; the recessed base with the *four-character mark* painted in iron-red seal script within a raised oval foot ring. *2 1/2in (6.4cm) high* 

# US\$3,000 - 5,000

1821-1850 清道光 御製粉彩瓷胎山水漁翁鼻 煙壺 《道光年製》礬紅篆書款



9140 (two views)

# 9140 A CANTON ENAMEL SNUFF BOTTLE

Qianlong mark, 19th century Famille rose enamels on copper, with a flat lip and slightly recessed concave foot surrounded by a protruding flattened foot rim; painted with a continuous scene, one side with a scholar reading a book, the other with an attendant, the foot with a four-character *Qianlong mark* in black enamel. *2in (5cm) high* 

US\$2,000 - 3,000

乾隆款 十九世紀 銅胎畫琺琅人物鼻煙壺

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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;

(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

REASON WHATSOEVER IS THE LIMITED RIGHT OF RESCISSION DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION.

"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.

#### LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED ABOVE, ALL PROPERTY IS SOLD "AS IS." NEITHER BONHAMS NOR THE CONSIGNOR MAKES ANY REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AS TO THE MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS OR CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY OR AS TO THE CORRECTNESS OF DESCRIPTION, GENUINENESS, ATTRIBUTION, **PROVENANCE** OR PERIOD OF THE PROPERTY OR AS TO WHETHER THE PURCHASER ACQUIRES ANY COPYRIGHTS OR OTHER INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS IN LOTS SOLD OR AS TO WHETHER A WORK OF ART IS SUBJECT TO THE ARTIST'S MORAL RIGHTS OR OTHER RESIDUAL RIGHTS OF THE ARTIST. THE PURCHASER EXPRESSLY ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IN NO EVENT SHALL BONHAMS BE LIABLE FOR ANY DAMAGES INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, ANY COMPENSATORY, INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES.

# SELLER'S GUIDE

#### SELLING AT AUCTION

Bonhams can help you every step of the way when you are ready to sell art, antiques and collectible items at auction. Our regional offices and representatives throughout the US are available to service all of your needs. Should you have any further questions, please visit our website at **www.bonhams.com/us** for more information or call our Client Services Department at +1 (800) 223 2854 ext. 23550.

#### AUCTION ESTIMATES

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.

Sales commissions vary with the potential auction value of the property and the particular auction in which the property is offered. Please call us for commission rates.

#### PROFESSIONAL APPRAISAL SERVICES

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.

Our appraisers are available to help you anywhere and at any time. Please call our Client Services Department to schedule an appraisal.

#### 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.

For more information or to obtain a detailed Trust and Estates package, please visit our website at **www.bonhams.com/us** or contact our Client Services Department.

# TYPICAL HEADINGS USED IN THE CATALOG

The following are examples of the terminology used in the catalog. While every reasonable effort has been made to ensure that the statements made in the catalog are correct, all statements and terms in this catalog are subject to the provisions of the Conditions of Sale and the Galleries and Consignors make no warranties or representations with respect to any lot.

#### AUTHORSHIP

# WANG HUI

The piece is, in our opinion, a work of the artist.

# ATTRIBUTED TO WANG HUI

The piece is, in our opinion, from the period of the artist and possibly by his hand.

# SCHOOL OF WANG HUI

The piece is, in our opinion, in the style of the artist, possibly of a later period.

# AFTER WANG HUI

The piece is, in our opinion, a copy done in the spirit of the artist.

#### "SIGNED"

The piece has a signature which, in our opinion, is that of the artist.

#### **"BEARING THE SIGNATURE OF" OR "INSCRIBED"**

The piece has a signature which, in our opinion, might be spurious or that of a later follower of the artist.

#### CERAMICS, PORCELAINS AND OTHER WORKS OF ART

#### FAMILLE VERTE OVOID VASE KANGXI MARK AND PERIOD

When the piece is, in our opinion, a work of that period, reign or dynasty and marked as such, the date and mark appear in bold below the description.

# FAMILLE VERTE OVOID VASE KANGXI PERIOD

When the piece is, in our opinion, a work of that period, reign or dynasty, the date appears in bold below the description.

# FAMILLE VERTE OVOID VASE KANGXI MARK

When the piece, in our opinion, was manufactured during the 20th century or later, or when its date of manufacture is unclear, but bears a mark, the mark appears alone in bold below the description.

# FAMILLE VERTE OVOID VASE

When the piece, in our opinion, was manufactured during the 20th century or later, or when its date of manufacture is unclear, no date appears below its bold description.

# PHYSICAL CONDITION OF LOTS IN THIS AUCTION

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS NO REFERENCE IN THIS CATALOG TO THE PHYSICAL CONDITION OF ANY LOT. INTENDING BIDDERS MUST SATISFY THEMSELVES AS TO THE CONDITION OF ANY LOTS AS SPECIFIED IN THE 'LIMITATION OF LIABILITY' IN THE 'CONDITIONS OF SALE.'

As a courtesy to intending bidders, Bonhams will provide a written indication of the physical condition of lots in this sale if a request is received up to 24 hours before the auction starts. Such report is also available for download from Bonhams website.

# **REGULATED SPECIES MATERIALS AND CITES PERMITS**

The export of a lot from the United States or import into certain countries may be subject to export or import regulations, licensure and/or other restrictions; in particular, lots containing plant or animal materials such as ivory, rhinoceros horn, tortoiseshell, coral, whalebone or certain types of woods, irrespective of age or value, may require the granting of one or more export or import licenses or certificates, or may be banned from import altogether by some countries. Moreover, the ability to obtain an export license or certificate does not insure the ability to obtain an import license or certificate in another country. Lots that contain such regulated species materials may also not be eligible for exportation or for re-importation into the United States if they are not at least 100 years of age, and, under current law, lots containing African Elephant livory may no longer be re-imported into the United States regardless of age. In addition, resales of lots containing certain regulated species materials may be subject to restrictions in some jurisdictions.

Lots noted in the catalog with a Y next to the lot number contain one or more such regulated plant or animal materials. It is the buyer's responsibility to investigate any such restrictions and to obtain any relevant export or import licenses. Please note that this process is governed by local authorities and may take considerable time. Regardless of any delay in the obtaining of an export or import license or certificate or denial of a license's or certificate's issuance, purchased lots shall be paid for in accordance with the Conditions of Sale, and any such delay or denial shall not serve as the basis for cancellation of any sale. Prospective buyers are advised to obtain information from the relevant regulatory authorities regarding export and import restrictions, requirements, and costs prior to bidding.

Prospective buyers should also check with their local (e.g. state) regulatory authorities regarding any local restrictions and/or permit requirements that may apply with respect to purchases of regulated species materials, including without limitation purchases of items containing elephant ivory or rhino horn. For example, we are advised that New York buyers of any lot containing elephant or mammoth ivory or rhino horn will be responsible for obtaining a New York State permit before taking possession of the lot within New York State, and that the State of New Jersey has banned the import of items containing elephant or marine mammal ivory or rhino horn into that state.

Upon request, Bonhams can refer the purchaser to a third party agent to assist the purchaser in attempting to obtain the appropriate licenses and/or certificates. However, there is no assurance that any necessary licenses or certificates can be obtained. Please contact the Specialist Department for a suggested list of shipping agents prior to placing a bid if you are uncertain as to whether a lot is subject to export/import license or certificate requirements or related restrictions.

# SNUFF BOTTLE DISCLAIMER

Unless otherwise specified in the cataloguing of a lot, snuff bottle stoppers are not included in any snuff bottle lots or in the estimate or purchase price of such a lot sold hereunder, regardless of whether the snuff bottle lot is illustrated with one or more stoppers. While Bonhams makes reasonable efforts to ensure that a stopper illustrated or exhibited with a snuff bottle lot accompanies the lot upon collection or release, it accepts no liability for not doing so or for damage or

loss to stoppers during storage or shipment. In addition, if a snuff bottle lot is exhibited or purchased by a buyer outside the United States, Bonhams may remove any stopper accompanying a lot that contains restricted materials.

# **Auction Registration Form**

(Attendee / Absentee / Online / Telephone Bidding) Please circle your bidding method above.

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12 September 2016

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General Notice: This sale will be conducted in accordance with Bonhams Conditions of Sale, and your bidding and buying at the sale will be governed by such terms and conditions. Please read the Conditions of Sale in conjunction with the Buyer's Guide relating to this sale and other published notices and terms relating to bidding. Payment by personal or business check may result in your property not being released until purchase funds clear our bank. Checks must be drawn on a U.S. bank.			bidding such terms of Sale in g to this sale and to bidding. result in your funds clear our	General Bid Increments:   \$10 - 200by 10s \$10,000 - 20,000by 1,000s   \$200 - 500by 20 / 50 / 80s \$20,000 - 50,000by 2,000 / 5,000 / 8,000s   \$500 - 1,000by 50s \$50,000 - 100,000by 5,000s   \$1,000 - 2,000by 100s \$100,000 - 200,000by 5,000s   \$2,000 - 5,000by 200 / 500 / 800s \$20,000 - 200,000by 10,000s   \$2,000 - 10,000by 500s The auctioneer has discretion to split any bid at any time.			
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You instruct us to execute each absentee bid up to the corresponding bid amount indicated above.

\* Emergency Bid: A maximum bid (exclusive of Buyer's Premium and tax) to be executed by Bonhams only if we are unable to contact you by telephone or should the connection be lost during bidding.

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