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Auction:
Estate Auction
January 4, 2009

Previews:
January 2 - 4

Location:
Alameda, California

ESTATE AUCTION AT MICHAAN'S WILL FEATURE FURNITURE, DECORATIVE ARTS and FINE ASIAN WORKS OF ART

Michaan's Auctions is pleased to offer a wonderful selection of property from multiple estates and private collections in its first Estate Auction of 2009. This eclectic auction will offer a global array of works, showcasing pieces from the 16th through 20th centuries along with a selection of American, African, English, Japanese, French and Chinese property, including snuff bottles, silver by prominent makers, porcelain, silks, carvings and offerings for all collecting tastes and styles.

Samples of highlights to be sold under the hammer to the highest bidder include: Isphahan Silk Pictorial Rug, Estimate: 800 / \$1,200; Rococo Style Giltwood Mirror, Estimate: 600 / \$800; Collection of Worldwide Stamp Covers, Estimate: 800 / \$1,200; Reed & Barton Sterling Water Pitcher, Estimate 500 / \$700; Simon Halbig Bisque Head Lady Doll #117, Estimate: 1,200 / \$1,500; James Arthur Merriam. Californian, 1880 - 1951. Mission San Juan Capistrano. Oil on canvas. 25 x 30 inches, Estimate: 1,000 / \$1,500; PABLO PICASSO (after). Le Roi (poster for Nice Carnavale, 1951, from an original drawing Picasso did for the newspaper le Patriote de Nice et du Sud-Est, Nice). Printed by Imprimerie de la Victoire, published JMP de la Victoire. Color lithograph on wove paper. Height 21 3/4 x width 17 1/2 inches, Estimate: 800 / \$1,000; Astley David Middleton Cooper. Californian (1856-1924). The Blacksmith. Oil on canvas laid on board. 29 1/2 x 26 inches. Signed lower right: ADM Cooper, Estimate: 3,000 / \$5,000; Howard Chandler Christy. I want you, for the navy poster, Estimate: 1,000 /

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\$1,500; Sam Francis "Dark Blue Cap" Litho. Estimate: 2,000 / \$3,000; Fine Chinese Spinach Jade Carved Table Screen, Qing Dynasty, Estimate: 1,000 / \$1,200

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The January Estate Catalog will be available for review on line at www.michaans.com. Previews will open January 2 - 3 from 10am – 5pm and from 9am until end of auction Sunday January 4.

Michaan's Auctions next Estate Auction will be held Sunday, February 1 at Noon. All offerings will be available for viewing at the free public preview held Friday, January 30 through January 31 from 10am – 5pm, as well as the day of the sale from 9am to the end of the auction.

Further highlights include:

Popoff 14 x 19 suburbs of Paris oil on canvas.
Estimate: 1,200 / \$1,500

W. Schwartz still life of cherries.
Estimate: 300 / \$ 500

Three Fine Chinese Jadeite Snuff Bottles, 19th Century
Estimate: 600 / \$800

Chinese Blue and White Porcelain Brush Pot (Bitong), 19th Century,
Estimate: 800 / \$1,200

A Chinese Porcelain Blanc -De -Chine Seated Figure of Guan Yin, Qing Dynasty
Estimate: 600 / \$800

Large Chinese CiZhou Ware Painting Flower, Phoenix Jar Yuan Dynasty
Estimate: 2,500 / \$3,000

Renaissance Revival Iron Strong Box
Estimate: 300 / \$500

French Ivory Carving of Man Taking Snuff, Late 19th Century
Estimate: 200 / \$300

American Mosaic Leaded Glass Lamp
Estimate: 200 / \$300

African Ibo Wood Ancestor Male Figure
Estimate: 1,500 / \$2,000

Japanese Satsuma Vase
Estimate: 400 / \$600

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20th century. "Beijing No. 5". Color Serigraph. Sight size: 25 3/8 x 26 inches.
Signed and titled in bottom margin in Chinese.
Estimate: 500 / \$700

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About Michaan's Auctions By the Bay, Inc.

Michaan's Auctions is a leading full service auction house on the West Coast specializing in the appraisals and sale of antiques and fine art. Some of Michaan's speciality departments include Furniture and Decorative Arts, Modern, Contemporary, European and American Paintings and Prints, Books and Manuscripts, Jewelry, Asian Works of Art and Ethnographic Art.

Established in 2002, Michaan's Auctions holds up to thirty sales each year that attract a broad base of buyers and consignors from all over the World. With one of the largest facilities in Northern California, Michaan's offers buyers and sellers the ability to preview and bid on many unique and desirable pieces. Some of these pieces garnered world record prices. In 2005, a world record price was achieved for an A.D.M Cooper, The Three Graces 1915, sold at auction for \$21,060 as well as a Eduard Gaertner, German City Street Scene 1831, sold at auction for \$266,000.

Michaan's has built its reputation on it's ability to accept single items, groups or entire estates with the "no risk consignment policy", a policy that sets them apart from other auction houses. Michaan's team of specialists are dedicated to staying current on the latest issues and developments in the market and are committed to providing personalized and professional attention throughout the entire auction process.