

Heidelberg, October 27th, 2017

272nd Sale, November 24th, 2017



Estate of Dr. Bob Major, Waghäusel, Part I & Closure of a Gallery

Dr. Bob Major was a passionate collector... He was one of our first customers and hardly ever missed a sale. Besides his passion for porcelains, especially Meissen and Herend (many of the latter will be on the 273th sale in March), he collected old and modern glass, silver, historical objects and paintings. Not without humour: he bought five paintings by the master forger Konrad Kujau with whom he became friends. Very well painted is „The Kiss“ after Gustav Klimt about 1908/9 (lot 183- estimate: € 2500-2800,-/ reserve price: € 900,-), also the „Rainbow Sphinx“ after Michael Parkes shows how talented Kujau was! (lot 186- estimate: 900-1000,-/ reserve price: € 350,-) (s. also lots 182,184-185,187 & report by B. Müller).

But we do have some authentic paintings in this sale! We'd like to point out to the following: an 17th cent. oil painting with Leda and the swan after Leonardo da Vinci by Hendrik van Balen the Younger & his workshop (lot 13- estimate: 9000-12000,-/ reserve price: € 2500,-), an oil painting by Thomas Hartmann dating 2010 „each their own horizon“ (lot 158- estimate: € 4000-4500,-/ reserve price: € 900,-), a mixed media by the Italian futurist Enrico Prampolini (lot 236-estimate: € 3300-3500,-/ reserve price: € 750,-) and a large lithograph by Corneille with female nude, bird and volcano from 1991 (lot 127- estimate: € 2000-2500,-/ reserve price: € 600,-). The gallery closure yielded many graphical works by Otmar Alt, Friedensreich Hundertwasser, Marc Chagall, Paul Wunderlich, Elvira Bach, Andy Warhol, AR Penck, Salvador Dali, Joseph Beuys and James Rizzi, including a rare oil painting „Santa's Treat“ by Rizzi from 1999, just suitable for the season! (lot 243- estimate: € 1200-1500,-/ reserve price: € 290,-) The Czech illustrator and caricaturist Adolf Born is represented with eight works (lots 100-104).



In religious arts, this time we can offer works in museum-like quality: the Romanic crucifix in bronze about 1150 (lot 43- estimate: € 6000-8000,-/ reserve price: € 2500,-), a wooden Maria from a mourning group, ascribed to Bartholomaeus Steinle about 1610 (lot 41- estimate: € 4500-5000,-/ reserve price: € 1800,-), the wooden Late Gothic praying Maria, probably from Swabia about 1500 (lot 42- estimate: € 4500-5000,-/ reserve price: € 1800,-), the wooden early 16th cent. halting Jesus from the High or Middle Rhine region (lot 44- estimate: € 2500-3000,-/ reserve price: € 800,-), the stone relief of a bearded prophet from the circle of Niklas Gerhaerts about 1470/80 (lot 40- estimate: € 6000-6500,-/ reserve price: € 1900,-) are really rare pieces! In case this category is too expensive, you'll sure find a suiting Christmas present in the large collection of Ore Mountains wood carvings, including angel bands, Christmas pyramids and a huge nut cracker! (lots 55-68).

Besides beautiful figural porcelains there are many plates, vases and services by Meissen, KPM, Fürstenberg, Nymphenburg, Hutschenreuther, Sèvres, incl. rare pieces like a 19th cent. heat-retaining plate from Vienna and a porcelain plaque and 12 miniatures showing the Gallery of Beauties by Hutschenreuther about 1865 (lot 781- estimate: € 3000-3500,-/ reserve price: € 900,-). Not to forget: mocha cups made of eggshell porcelain by Rozenburg with very fine Art Nouveau painting! (lots 365-366- estimates: € 400-900,-/ reserve prices: € 250/ 450,-)

The glass section presents Art Nouveau cameo glass vases with landscapes by Emile Gallé about 1910 (lot 479- estimate: € 600-800,-/ reserve price: € 250,-) and Daum, Nancy about 1905 (lot 488- estimate: € 1500-2000,-/ reserve price: € 400,-) and modern pieces from Murano including works by Ercole Barovier, Archimede Seguso (lots 503, 506, 507, 508) and Kosta Boda (lots 509-511)- also a beautiful glass chandelier by Murano! (lot 354-estimate: 1200-1500,-/ reserve price: € 350,-).

A five piece silver tea and coffee set on a tray comes from the workshop of the Heidelberg born goldsmith of the Baden court Nikolaus Trübner about 1900 and is a highlight of the sale! (lot 535- estimate: € 8000-9000,-/ reserve price: € 4500,-). Also made of silver and quite rare is a small bottle in shape of fox (lot 548- reserve price: € 300,-), a bowl by Tiffany & Co. (lot 545- reserve price: € 140,-) and a enamel egg by Nikolai Zverev, Moscow about 1910 (lot 534- reserve price: € 200,-).





In our section for antiques there are three Roman amphorae of the imperial period found in the sea coming from a German private collection (lots 735-737- estimates: € 250-700,-/ reserve prices: € 80-350,-), in the section Asian works of art a Chinese blue-white plate with men on horseback from the Kangxi Period about 1700 (lot 629- estimate: € 2500-3000,- /reserve price: € 700,-), a fine Ottoman saber of the 18th cent. (lot 719- estimate: € 4000-6000,-/ reserve price: € 1500,-) and in the section Africana a watchman's head of a Fang reliquary (lot 728- estimate: € 2000-2500,-/ reserve price: € 700,-) worth mentioning.

There are several very large Oriental carpets from a Baden-Baden villa, including a silk Kayseri 425 x 392 cm (lot 338- estimate: € 6000-8000,-/ reserve price: € 1200,-) and Kashmir silk Ghoms 588 x 385 cm/ 583 x 340 cm (lots 339/ 345- estimates: € 1000-2000,-/ reserve prices. € 450/300,-).

What is a Christmas party without a good drink? The wine cellar of our collector offers a good selection: several bottles of Château Cheval Blanc, Château Mouton Rothschild, one bottle of Petrus 1995 and Champagner Roederer Cristal, all with a reserve price of € 20,-!



Sale is on **November 25th, 2017**. The catalogue will be online on **November 4th, 2017** (www.kunst-und-kuriosa.de).
The **preview** will be from **November 18th to 23rd, 2017**.

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