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"The important thing is that Clyff Still – you know his work? – and Rothko, and I – we've changed the nature of painting..." – Jackson Pollock<sup>1</sup>



Portrait of Mark Rothko, Clyfford Still, and Douglas MacAgy in Sutro Heights Park, San <u>Francisco, 1946. Unk</u>nown photographer, courtesy of Clyfford Still Archives

Abstract Expressionism—the giant of a movement that often dominates any discussion of the history of art in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century—is not often remembered correctly. One would believe that the history of the movement lies within in New York. The legend of the Cedar Street Tavern and figures like Jackson Pollock, Willem de Kooning, and Franz Kline have forever concretized the Abstract Expressionist movement with the city New York. But if one wants to know the entire story of Abstract Expressionism one needs to look a bit further West—to San Francisco.

San Francisco in the mid-1940s was like the rest of the US, finding its footing following the war. Curator Douglas MacAgy had arrived in the city in 1941 and agreed to vacate his position at the San Francisco Museum of Art to take the Director role at the California School of Fine Arts (which is now San Francisco Arts Institute) in 1945. His brilliant strategy to build a great art school by utilizing the G.I. Bill to attract veterans—veterans who brought with them a maturity of experience they had gained during their deployment, coupled with the optimism of beginning life anew in post-war America. MacAgy dually used provisions in the Bill to also bring in a staff that was nothing less than extraordinary—a group of teachers who effectively laid the groundwork for the abstract expressionist movement itself not only through their exemplary practices, but in their teachings to what would become an important second generation of the movement.

With a faculty that included Clyfford Still, Clay Spohn, Richard Diebenkorn, Edward Corbett, and Hassel Smith—and a senior roster of visitors such as Rothko, Reinhardt, Man Ray and Stanley William Hayter—the school became a center of experimental painting after the war (with)...a reputation as the most progressive school in the country.<sup>2</sup>

This remarkable line-up of talent was able harness the angst, the memories, and the raw emotive state of the returning veterans and other students who sought to reconcile the challenges of the wartime years.

A laissez-faire approach pervaded, with the single proviso – that the students free themselves from all previous notions of art and imagemaking. Among this newly enfranchised group of mostly young men there was a palpable sense of idealism and excitement about the 'new art', of which they felt themselves as the new vanguard.<sup>3</sup>

Those students included Frank Lobdell, Edward Dugmore, Ernest Briggs, and John Saccaro among others. One can imagine how they felt as students entering into a classroom confronted by the abstractions that bore the "shock of the new." Writer and artist Kenneth Sawyer described experiencing Clyfford Still's exhibition in 1947 in San Francisco at the Legion of Honor,

<sup>1</sup> S. Rodman, *Conversations with Artists*, New York, 1961, pp. 84-85

<sup>2</sup> S. Landauer, *The San Francisco School of Abstract Expressionism*, Berkeley, 1996, pp. 5-6

<sup>3</sup> T. Williams, The Bay Area School: Californian Artists from the 1940s, 1950s and 1960s, Surrey, 1988, p. 26



Postcard with a view of the California School of Fine Arts, ca. 1970. Unknown photographer, courtesy of Clyfford Still Archives

Most of us, veterans of the Second World War, had stern convictions as to the nature of modern paintings...what we were confronted with on the walls of the Legion museum was unrelated in the most unsettling fashion...his works were marked by a violence, a rawness, which few of us—though we naturally accepted the violence of the current Europeans—were prepared to recognize it as art. Here was painting that instructed as it destroyed...something new, something that most of us could not yet define had occurred.<sup>4</sup>

The students learned the framework of action painting and working autonomously to create works that became extensions of themselves. Mark Rothko's seminar "Views of Paintings Today" was filled to capacity; he showed slides of works being exhibited in New York by Robert Motherwell, Milton Avery, Jackson Pollock and Willem de Kooning. As with Still, there was an element of destruction that connected with the students, not so much from his work but emanating from his words—encouraging the radical reinvention of art itself in the post-war era: "The familiar identity of things has to be pulverized in order to destroy the finite associations with which our society increasingly enshrouds every aspect of our environment."<sup>5</sup>

Bay Area schools outside of the painting program at California School of Fine Arts produced graduates important to the movement as well. Sonia Gechtoff and Jay DeFeo were pivotal voices to the movement. Gechtoff studied lithography at CSFA but began to produce exceptional, gestural paintings after befriending painter Ernest Briggs. DeFeo joined Diebenkorn and Sam Francis across the bay at University of California, Berkeley. Francis had served in the U.S. Army Air Corps and picked up painting while in the hospital in San Francisco recovering from his injuries. Like many of his friends, he

too pivoted from his experiences in the war and the need to capture the spirit of a new epoch. "What we want is make something that fills utterly the sight and can't be used to make life only bearable; if the painting till now was a way of making bearable, the visible sumptuous, then let's now strip away all that."<sup>6</sup>

Where the myth of New York being the singular voice of Abstract Expressionism takes hold is in the 1950s. As New York was the center of the art world at the time, a mass exodus of sorts began in the early 1960s of San Francisco artists moving East. Still and Rothko had returned back East and were by then celebrated in New York. They exhibited in many of the landmark shows of the 1950s such as 15 Americans (1952) at the Museum of Modern Art, New York along with Jackson Pollock and others. Many of their students followed from Northern California including Briggs and Dugmore, migrating East after their graduation. MacAgy left San Francisco as well, becoming a curator at the Museum of Modern Art in New York. Many of the war veterans from the West coast gravitated to The Club (short for The Artist's Club) at 39 East 8th Street, to hotly debate the emerging ideologies within the abstract expressionist movement each week. It was an important venue not only to continue the academic foundation that had been set up in the classroom in San Francisco, but also as a way to coalesce the ideas that evolved in the Bay with those current of the larger field of expressionism. While the West coast abstract expressionist origins were often scrubbed from the history books, their integral part in forming what became the New York School are often found just beneath the surface in discussions about the movement. Knowing the history gives new layers to a movement we thought we knew and with it the possibility to discover (or rediscover) the important artists integral to the formation of Abstract Expressionism.

<sup>4</sup> K. Sawyer, "US Painters Today, No 1: Clyfford Still," *Portfolio and Art News Annual 2*, 1960, p. 80

<sup>5</sup> M. Rothko, "The Romantics Were Prompted," *Possibilities I*, Winter 1947-48, p. 84

<sup>6</sup> D. Miller, Twelve Americans, New York, 1956, p. 10

#### PROPERTY FROM A PRIVATE COLLECTION, SANTA FE

#### 1 ERNEST BRIGGS (1923-1984) Untitled (#309), 1960

signed and dated '7/16/60 e. BRIGGS' (on the reverse) oil on canvas

44 x 46 1/2 in. 111.8 x 118.1 cm

#### \$30,000 - 50,000

Provenance Anon. sale, Christie's, New York, 14 January 2008, lot 80 Acquired at the above sale by the present owner

#### Exhibited

Pittsburgh, Carnegie Institute, 1961 Pittsburgh International Exhibition of Contemporary Painting and Sculpture, 27 October 1961 - 7 January 1962, no. 43



# "There is not a word yet for old friends who have just met."

-Jim Henson



Installation view of the exhibition, "Twelve Americans." The Museum of Modern Art, New York, May 30, 1956 through September 8, 1956. Photographic Archive. The Museum of Modern Art Archives, New York

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Ernest Briggs's Untitled, 1960 is a time capsule—a work that is a container for a decade of mentoring and friendship between two artists. It is the transfer of evolving theory of Abstract Expressionism from one generation to the next. Its story spans two coasts and carries with it the history of one of the most extraordinary gatherings of artistic talent in the 20th century. While the foundation of its imagery lay some 3,000 miles away it was unveiled in New York and exhibited in one of the most historic and prestigious exhibitions in the world, the Carnegie International (then called the Pittsburgh International Exhibition). It is a thread of Abstract Expressionist history and the story of artists Ernest Briggs and Clyfford Still.

The origins of this narrative begin in post-war San Francisco with the GI Bill, an education program for those who served in the US armed forces. Because the bill not only covered students' education but also allowed for teaching positions, painter Clyfford Still was able to secure a four-year teaching contract in the late 1940s at the California School of Fine Art (now the San Francisco Art Institute). The offer of a teaching salary and studio space was strong enough to build a staff that attracted many other important artists at the time; Still was joined by Mark Rothko, Elmer Bischoff, and David Park amongst others. Briggs arrived at the school in 1949 as Navy veteran with a dream of painting. He learned quickly that Still was an artist who he wanted to be around and arranged for a transfer from David Park's class to Still's advanced painting class. It was an incredible time to learn from an accomplished artist. Still's studio was adjacent to those of his students (allowing them to essentially work simultaneously) and they would all paint as Still would pop in to discuss broader issues that were being debated in this pivotal time for the discipline of painting.

Still's style was by then nearly formed and his talent and career had positioned him to be considered among the foremost Abstract Expressionists of the day. His approach to painting was one of harnessing one's inner psyche innate in all of us, "the human condition" as he called it.

By 1941, space and figure in my canvases had been resolved into a total psychic entity, freeing me from the limitations of each yet fusing into an instrument bounded only by the limits of energy and intuition. My feeling of freedom was now absolute and infinitely exhilarating. From the mid-thirties I spoken freely of these matters to artists, students and friends from New York to San Francisco...<sup>1</sup>

Briggs on the other hand was in his formative years, incorporating many of the teachings from Still into the fundamentals of his own practice. Stylistically, however, Briggs developed an aesthetic that outwardly differed from Still's. The ripped and torn edges running vertically along the edges of Still's expanses of color were nascent from Briggs' paintings and, instead, he produced more calligraphic works that seemed to violently rush from one edge of the canvas to the other. Energy and movement reigned supreme over more contemplative forms, created by Briggs with short gestural and painterly bursts.

Graduation for Briggs and the end of a four-year contract for Still would mark a move to New York for both artists. Still, a central figure in what had become a defining moment, introduced Briggs around to many of the artists and influencers of the day. Following the landmark survey

<sup>1</sup> J.P. O'Neill, Clyfford Still, New York, 197, p. 180



1964 (oil on canvas), Still, Clyfford (1904-80) / Private Collection / Bridgeman Images

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*Fifteen Americans* in 1952 at the Museum of Modern Art that included work from Still, Rothko, Jackson Pollock, Edward Corbett, and William Baziotes, Still suggested MoMA curator, Dorothy Miller, look to Briggs for her next survey exhibition *Twelve Americans* (1956). It was an immensely important moment for the young artist to be selected and his works shown alongside those by Sam Francis, James Brooks, Philip Guston, Franz Kline and Larry Rivers. Briggs' paintings were complexly layered and imbued with a compositional sense of rapidity as jagged forms seemed to rise, collapse, and then scratch their way to the surface again in a torrent of simultaneity.

Following that MoMA show, Briggs in 1957 began a radical stylistic shift that coincided with a move to a new studio—one that was in the same building as his old friend Clyfford Still. His studio as now "very close to Still at that time" he said. "We had studios in the same building on 128 West 23rd...l saw Still almost daily during that period, say '57 to 1960."<sup>2</sup> Within the proximity of his old mentor, the frenetic energy of Briggs' past work dissolved into more measured, organic looking fields of color with jagged edges, akin to coral or the broken edges of a shale. Broader fields of carefully selected color receded or protruded when set against another--a more refined approach to chromatic theory. It was as if the brilliance not only of Still's teachings but of his painting style had coalesced for Briggs, creating an elegant struggle of ideas, color, form and energy on canvas. Still's thoughts on his own work could

easily apply to Briggs', "These are not paintings in the usual sense; they are life and death merging in fearful union. As for me, they kindle a fire; through them I breathe again, hold a golden cord, find my own revelation."<sup>3</sup>

And so Untitled becomes the nadir of this period for Briggs, the last of a series where friend and teacher incorporated into a shared visual language between a painter and a painter. Untitled is more than a painting, it echoes Still but stands on its own. It feels resolved, contemplative and poetic. The excitement and comfortability between two old friends meeting once again. The vertical tears the disrupt the serenity of a color field in Still's work reverberate through Briggs' painting but take on their own quality, resembling continents slowly adrift, finding their own intimate space within the confines of the canvas. The work is defined by a sophisticated palette of burnt hues ranging from gold to brown to red to patches of a florescent orange so bright a camera struggles to record its essence. It is as Still described his own work, full of polarities - an 11-alarm fire adjacent to a convalescent bed of comfortable tones as it takes us for a ride into our inner psyche and back out again, riding a thread of history and the vernacular of San Franciscan Abstract Expressionism.

<sup>2</sup> B. Shikler and E. Briggs, Oral history interview with Ernest Briggs, 1982 July 12-October 21, Archives of American Art's Mark Rothko and His Times oral history project, 1982

<sup>3</sup> J. McAllister and A. Freundenheim, Clyfford Still, Washington, D.C., 2001, p. 17



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#### SONIA GECHTOFF (1926-2018) Untitled (#4), 1960 Untitled (#3), 1960 Untitled (#5), 1960

(i): signed and dated 'Gechtoff '60' (lower right); signed, numbered and dated 'Sonia Gechtoff 1960 #4' (on the reverse)
(ii): signed and dated 'Gechtoff '60' (lower right); signed twice, numbered and dated twice 'Sonia Gechtoff 1960 #3' (on the reverse)
(iii): signed 'Gechtoff' (lower right); signed, numbered and dated 'Sonia Gechtoff 1960 #5' (on the reverse) *each* oil on paper mounted on board

(i-ii): 14 x 17 1/8 in. (35.6 x 43.5 cm) (iii): 17 1/8 x 14 in. (43.5 x 35.6 cm)

\$4,000 - 6,000

#### Provenance

Elinor Poindexter Gallery, New York 871 Fine Arts, San Francisco Acquired from the above by the present owner

Born in 1926 in Philadelphia, Sonia Gechtoff moved to San Francisco in the fall of 1951 to continue her art education at the California School of Fine Arts. She had received her BFA at the Philadelphia Museum School of Art, and quickly shed her social realist style in favor of Abstract Expressionism after befriending Ernest Briggs and Frank Lobdell, artists who studied under Clyfford Still during his teachings at the California School of Fine Arts in the late 1940s. Gechtoff had her first solo exhibition at the M.H. de Young Memorial Museum in San Francisco in 1957. After visiting the exhibition, Walter Hopps from Ferus Gallery in Los Angeles "was so impressed he brought the entire show to L.A., in April 1957, and made it the subject of the first oneperson exhibition Ferus ever mounted."<sup>1</sup>

Gechtoff's works were also included in other seminal shows, such as *Younger American Painters* at the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York in 1954; *60 American Painters, 1960* at the Walker Art Center, Minneapolis in 1960; *Young America, 1960* at the Whitney Museum of American Art, New York in 1960; *Women of Abstract Expressionism* at the Denver Art Museum, Denver in 2016.

Gechtoff lived and worked in New York City until her death earlier this year.

1. K. McKenna, *The Ferus Gallery: A Place to Begin*, Germany, 2009, p. 46

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#### 3 JOHN SACCARO (1913-1981)

Mauve Dominant, 1963

signed, titled three times, and extensively inscribed 'Saccaro Mauve Dominant' (on the reverse) oil on board

15 3/4 x 22 1/8 in. 40 x 56.2 cm

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

#### Provenance

Estate of the Artist Carlson Gallery, Carmel Miller Fine Art, Moss Landing Anon. sale, Rago Arts & Auction Center, Lambertville, 15 November 2008, lot 5 Acquired at the above sale by the present owner



### 4 RAIMONDS STAPRANS (B. 1926) Untitled, 1963

signed and dated 'RAIMONDS STAPRANS-63' (lower right) oil on canvas

28 x 34 1/4 in. 71.1 x 87 cm

\$3,000 - 5,000

#### PROPERTY FROM A PRIVATE COLLECTION, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

5 **JOHN SACCARO (1913-1981)** *Chrome Petal*, 1952

signed 'Saccaro' (lower right); signed twice, titled and dated 'Saccaro/52 Title: Chrome Petal' (on the reverse) oil on canvas

49 1/2 x 63 5/8 in. 125.7 x 161.6 cm

\$10,000 - 15,000

#### Provenance

Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner





# PROPERTY FROM THE PORTLAND ART MUSEUM, PORTLAND, OREGON, SOLD TO BENEFIT THE MUSEUM ACQUISITION FUND

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#### SAM FRANCIS (1923-1994)

Orangel, 1986

signed, titled and dated 'Orangel Sam Francis 1986' (on the reverse of the frame) acrylic on canvas

3 1/8 x 2 in. 7.9 x 5.1 cm

\$4,000 - 6,000

#### Provenance

Angles Gallery, Santa Monica Private Collection (acquired from the above in 1986) Portland Art Museum, Portland (acquired from the above in 2010)

#### Exhibited

Santa Monica, Angles Gallery, Sam Francis, 23 November 1986 - 10 January 1987

#### Literature

D. Burchett-Lere, and William C. Agee, *Sam Francis: Catalogue Raisonné of Canvas and Panel Paintings, 1946-1994*, Berkeley, 2011, cat. no. 1284, ill. in color on DVD I

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#### **JAMES WEEKS (1922-1998)**

Studio Interior with Easel, circa 1953

signed and inscribed 'WEEKS STUDIO' (on the reverse) oil on canvas

82 1/2 x 62 in. 209.6 x 157.5 cm

#### \$15,000 - 20,000

#### Provenance

Estate of the Artist Acquired from the above by the present owner



#### 8 HASSEL SMITH (1915-2007) Leda and the Swan, 1963-64

signed with artist's initials and dated 'HWS 1964' (upper left); signed, titled, and dated twice 'Hassel Smith 1963 Leda + the Swan Sept. 1964' (on the reverse) oil on canvas

48 1/8 x 18 in. 122.2 x 45.7 cm

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

#### Provenance

Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner

#### Exhibited

New York, André Emmerich Gallery, Hassel Smith: An Exhibition of Painting Done in Cornwall During a Year's Stay in England 1962-1963, 1963 Los Angeles, David Stuart Galleries, 1964



9 **DAVID PARK (1911-1960)** *Untitled* charcoal on paper

12 x 9 3/8 in. 30.5 x 23.8 cm

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

#### Provenance

Maxwell Galleries, San Francisco Acquired from the above by the present owner in 1982



#### PROPERTY FROM A PRIVATE COLLECTION, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

10 **JOSEPH FIORE (1925-2008)** *Abstract #5*, 1949

signed 'FIORE' (on the reverse) oil on canvas

22 x 28 in. 55.9 x 71.1 cm

#### \$2,500 - 3,500

Joseph Fiore was born in 1925 in Cleveland, Ohio. Between 1946-48 he studied at the legendary Black Mountain College in North Carolina with Joseph Albers, Jacob Lawrence, Willem de Kooning, and Esteban Vicente amongst others. From 1948-49, Fiore studied in San Francisco at the California School of Fine Art (now the San Francisco Art Institute), a pivotal year in the Abstract Expressionist movement due to the teaching of Clyfford Still and Mark Rothko at the same institution. Fiore then returned to teach at Black Mountain College from 1949 to 1956. His works are included numerous institutional collections, such as the Whitney Museum of American Art in New York, the Corcoran Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C., the Asheville Museum of Art in North Carolina and the Farnsworth Art Museum in Maine. Fiore has had solo exhibitions at Staempfli Gallery in New York, Fischbach Gallery in New York, Rider University in Lawrenceville, New Jersey and the Center for Maine Contemporary Art.



#### 11 EMERSON WOELFFER (1914-2003) Yellow Interlude, 1949

signed and dated 'Woelffer 1949' (lower left); signed, titled and inscribed 'Woelffer Yellow Interlude' (on the reverse) oil on canvas

29 1/8 x 41 in. 74 x 104.1 cm

\$8,000 - 12,000

#### Provenance

Galleries of Associated American Artists, New York Anon. sale, Bonhams and Butterfields, Los Angeles, 30 April 2006, lot 2024 Acquired at the above sale by the present owner

#### Exhibited

Davenport, Davenport Municipal Art Gallery, 3rd Exhibition of Art and Artists Along the Mississippi



### 12 MORRIS GRAVES (1910-2001) Barn Interior, circa 1935-36

numbered '47.4.2' (on the reverse) oil canvas

42 1/8 x 37 7/8 in. 107 x 96.2 cm

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

#### Provenance

Anon. sale, Bonhams, Los Angeles, 23 November 2010, lot 1008 Acquired at the above sale by the present owner



13 **RAIMONDS STAPRANS (B. 1926)** *Fishing Boats, San Francisco* 

signed 'RSTAPRANS' (upper left) oil on canvas

22 1/8 x 25 1/8 in. 56.2 x 63.8 cm

\$4,000 - 6,000

#### Provenance

Anon. sale, Bonhams, Los Angeles, 1 April 2014, lot 6 Acquired at the above sale by the present owner



14 RAIMONDS STAPRANS (B. 1926) Untitled, 1954

signed and dated 'RSTAPRANS 54' (lower right) oil on canvas

24 1/2 x 21 1/2 in. 62.3 x 54.6 cm

\$3,000 - 5,000



#### PROPERTY FROM A PRIVATE COLLECTION, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

15 **JAMES WEEKS (1922-1998)** *Portrait of a Musician,* 1950

initialed 'JW' (upper left) oil on board

35 7/8 x 27 1/2 in. 91.1 x 69.9 cm

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

#### Provenance

Estate of the Artist Acquired from the above by the present owner



16 JACQUES SCHNIER (1898-1988) Vertical Pierced Relief, 1961

bronze on wooden base

35 1/4 x 18 x 5 1/2 in. 89.5 x 45.7 x 14 cm

This work is unique.

\$2,000 - 3,000

**Provenance** Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner



17 RAIMONDS STAPRANS (B. 1926) Untitled (Village), 1961

signed and dated 'RAIMONDS STAPRANS 61' (lower right) oil on canvas

28 x 34 1/4 in. 71.1 x 87 cm

\$5,000 - 7,000

Provenance

Anon. sale, Bonhams, Los Angeles, 22 November 2011, lot 1023 Acquired at the above sale by the present owner

#### **PROPERTY FROM AN OREGON ESTATE**

18 **CARL MORRIS (1911-1993)** *Glacial White #1*, 1962

signed and dated 'CARL MORRIS '62' (lower left) oil on canvas

46 x 52 in. 116.8 x 132.1 cm

\$8,000 - 10,000





#### 19 **PETER VOULKOS (1924-2002)** *Untitled*, 1973

signed and dated 'VOULKOS 73' (on the underside) stoneware and porcelain with cobalt oxide, slip and glaze

*Height:* 3 3/4 in. (9.5 cm) *Diameter:* 18 1/4 in. (46.4 cm)

\$7,000 - 9,000

**Provenance** Exhibit A Gallery, Evanston Acquired from the above by the present owner in 1977

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#### PROPERTY FROM A PRIVATE COLLECTION, LOS ANGELES

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#### **EMERSON WOELFFER (1914-2003)**

Ischia #1, 1959

inscribed 'Forio' (lower left); signed and dated 'Woelffer 59' (lower right) oil on paper mounted on board

27 x 20 1/2 in. 68.6 x 52.1 cm

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

#### Provenance

Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner circa 1993

#### Exhibited

Fullerton, The Art Gallery at the California State University, Fullerton, *Emerson Woelffer: Profile of the Artist 1947-1981*, 5 February - 11 March 1982, plate 24 (illustrated in the exhibition catalogue, p. 34)

21 JOHN ALTOON (1925-1969)

Untitled (from Hyperion series), 1964-65

oil on canvas

56 1/8 x 60 in. 142.6 x 152.4 cm

\$40,000 - 60,000

#### Provenance

Dorothy Goldeen Gallery, Los Angeles Acquired from the above by the present owner

#### Exhibited

Pasadena, Baxter Art Gallery, *John Altoon: 25 Paintings, 1957-1969*, 30 April - 15 August 1984, no. 15 (illustrated in the exhibition catalogue, p. 23) New York, Edward Thorpe Gallery, *12 Paintings*, 15 December 1984 - 26 January 1985 (illustrated in the exhibition catalogue, unpaged) (this exhibition later traveled to Santa Monica, California, Tortue Gallery, 16 March - 13 April 1985 and San Francisco, California, Braunstein/ Quay Gallery, 4 June - 6 July 1985)



## "I solemnly swear that I am up to no good." -J.K. Rowling

Look closely at the myriad of photos that remain from the Ferus Gallery days. What do you see? Over and over again you see a boyhood sense of mischief, serving up a dose of subversiveness with a smile. The campy poses in front of the gallery on La Cienega Boulevard, with John Altoon lying comically across the seat a parked motorcycle or Billy Al Bengston pinching the cheeks of a young Andy Warhol as he looks uncomfortably to the photographer for help are photographs of moments that define the legacy of a place and time. Gallerist Irving Blum is pictured with a phone receiver resting precariously on top of his head-the very intersection of work and play. The whimsical and sardonic tone of the Ferus artists in photos was found in their work as well. There is the now iconic work by Ed Ruscha, of LACMA burning in his painting The Los Angeles County Museum on Fire (1968). The depiction of the then new institution already in flames, while humorous, presents a potent image of institutional critique. John Altoon was at the center of it all as well, providing illustrative satire with a finger on the pulse of a cultural revolution. His image in pictures endures as the embodiment of the counterculture that emerged in the early 1960s-rarely wearing a shirt, hardly ever with shoes on and a larger than life persona that seemed to transcend the image itself.

In New York, in the late 1950s Altoon had taken to creating Abstract Expressionist paintings, which were de rigueur for their day. The progressive edge of Expressionism had dulled considerably, however, by the early 60s. The periphery has become the center and Altoon, like many of his friends, looked to Los Angeles to find a new artistic voice. Altoon's breakthrough came with a series called Ocean Park, following a 1962 move to new studio at Venice and Ocean Park Boulevards. He began to migrate away from the complex, often dark hues of his full abstractions from the late 50s and, instead, began to paint playful biomorphic elements, which floated above a lightly colored ground. It was a much more minimalist approach than he had ever explored before. Plants, flowers and other natural elements seem to nearly form into fully representation elements, yet prove to be representationally elusive and depict a deconstructed landscape upon closer examination by the viewer. They have an illustrative quality, almost a cartoon-like whimsy akin to Philip Guston or Claes Oldenburg's works. Still visible in the work, however, is Altoon's abstract expressionist roots as paint drips and splatters of the foreground elements disrupt the uniformity and control of the background. These gestural moments imbue the painting with an action, hinting at an author with an active mind and the energy and excitement of an artist who had discovered a new direction for his practice.

His next series, the *Hyperion* paintings, again followed a move to a new studio on the other side of Los Angeles in 1964. Altoon had found his stride, and his new environs pushed his style even further. Concurrent with his stylistic evolution was a newly found side job to support his art career as a commercial illustrator, a development that introduced figuration to his works on canvas. The biomorphic

natural forms in Ocean Park were replaced. The images of foliage near the ocean had become hedonistic scenes of nude women and abstractions body parts suggested—but never fully revealed—on a background of an autonomous, brushy field of color. No longer was Altoon content to allow the background to serve merely as a backdrop. With the *Hyperion* works he gave it voice—brightly colored with a spectrum of hues in the same family that simultaneously serve as ground and vignette, a compositional device instrumentalized by Altoon to heighten his abstract eroticism.

Contextually Altoon's Hyperion series fit within the emerging threads of the diverse, stylistic explosion of artistic energy that channelled through the Ferus gallery in Los Angeles during the 1960s and illustrated the beginnings of a sexual and cultural revolution. The corporal abstractions of the Hyperion works echo those of Ken Price's suggestive, bodily ceramics-providing the viewer with just enough definition of form to understand what the artist might be alluding to. Price and Altoon's sexual subject matter makes you blush a little, but the overtly sexual work never feels threatening in any way-retaining a quality similar to the wink of the an eye, the raise of an eyebrow and the upturned corner of a mouth that is the hint of a smirk. While their work might presuppose the Summer of Love, some of the world wasn't guite ready in the mid-1960s. San Francisco Museum of Modern Art curator Gerald Nordland, for example, swerved uncomfortably when describing Altoon's fleshy world in his catalogue at the time, carefully avoiding any descriptors that may have seemed uncouth. He wrote "Altoon lives what appears to be an extremely open life in the Bohemian community of Los Angeles."1 Others, like New York curator Henry Geldzahler, understood the progressive culture in Los Angeles was connected to its creative production, "It is the very quality of openness and receptivity to opinions and ideas that contributes to the ferment and excitement of the California scene."2 In addition to Price's work one can find parallels in those of another artist and Altoon's friend, Ed Kienholz. Look no further than the iconic Back Seat Dodge (1964), Kienholz's sculptural tableau of a wild and sexy romp between a couple in the back seat of a 1938 Dodge coupe. The intertwined figures are, like Altoon's, half rendered-assemblages formed from found mannequin parts and chicken wire that dare the viewer fill in the details and create a narrative that would be spoken about only in hushed tones. Kienholz's sculptures, like Altoon's paintings, fracture the sexual mores that governed the acceptable behavior of the day. The works become an act of artistic mischief using wit and promiscuity to render a societal critique playing off the puritanical conservatism present in the prevailing attitudes of the country and the shift of the cultural freedom and sexual revolution that would come to define Los Angeles in the 1960s.

<sup>1</sup> G. Nordland, John Altoon, San Francisco, 1967, p. 10

<sup>2</sup> H. Geldzahler, "Los Angeles: The Second City of Art," *Vogue*, 15 September 1964, p. 42




22 EDWARD KIENHOLZ (1927-1994) Untitled (from the Broom Painting series), circa 1958

signed 'KIENHOLZ' (lower right) oil and wood construction on panel

48 3/8 x 48 1/2 x 2 in. 122.9 x 123.2 x 5.1 cm

\$10,000 - 15,000

#### Provenance

Lyn Kienholz, Los Angeles Acquired from the above by the present owner in 1977



## 23 HANS BURKHARDT (1904-1994) *Turbulence*, 1959-60

signed and dated 'H. Burkhardt 59-60' (lower right); signed and titled 'TURBULENCE H. Burkhardt' (on the stretcher) oil on canvas

49 3/4 x 60 in. 126.4 x 152.4 cm

\$8,000 - 12,000

# Ed Moses 1926-2018

Los Angeles lost one of its greatest artistic treasures this year; in January, Ed Moses passed away at the age of 91. His artworks have been a part of Bonhams' auctions before there was a Bonhams in California, before there was a Made in California: Contemporary Art auction, since the Butterfields & Butterfields office opened in Los Angeles in the early 1980s. Through decades of auctions, we have had the privilege of offering works from many distinct periods of Ed's *oeuvre:* Abstract Expressionist paintings from his Ferus Gallery days; Rose drawings of the 1960s; Resin paintings and Paper pieces of the 1970s; Light Grid paintings with all of their re-interpretations over decades; Cloud Cover works of the 1980s; Apparition Paintings of the late 1980s and 90s; Ros Shock paintings of the 1990s; to his intense, vibrant and experimental works of the 2000s. We will miss Ed's presence in Los Angeles, but are grateful to have his remarkable body of work as an enduring legacy.

Ed explains, "I don't paint for myself. I'm against the idea of expressing myself, being creative, that's another word I really hate. I paint for you all. What I do is for these paintings to be seen, and they are like metaphors of life. I feel that a real person that does this taps into his existence."



Ed Moses with his installation at Mizuno Gallery 1970. Image courtesy of and © Billy Al Bengston

May they be free from the ayatanas. May they attain a state of liberation. May the merit of the sangha provide eternal companionship for them. May the blessings of the teacher lead them on their journey. May their relatives and companions proceed with them on their journey. (from the Ceremony of Sukhavati)



24 ED MOSES (1926-2018) Rvere Ome #3, 1994

signed with artist's initials and dated twice 'EMB 94' (on the overlap); titled 'RVERE OME #3' (on the reverse) acrylic, shellac and resin on canvas on panel

30 1/8 x 24 in. 76.5 x 61 cm

\$7,000 - 9,000

#### Provenance

L.A. Louver, Venice Acquired from the above by the present owner

#### Exhibited

Venice, L.A. Louver, Ed Moses: Recent Paintings, 11 June - 30 July 1994



#### 25 **ED MOSES (1926-2018)** Vertical Drawing (No. 22), 1972

signed with artist's initial and dated 'E. 72' (lower right) rhoplex, graphite, colored pencil, acrylic and masking tape on paper

29 x 23 in. 73.7 x 58.4 cm

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

#### **Provenance** Koplin Gallery, Los Angeles Anon. sale, Bonhams, Los Angeles, 5 May 2008, lot 1110 Acquired at the above sale by the present owner



#### 26 **TONY BERLANT (B. 1941)** *Bunny*, 1995

signed, titled and dated 'BUNNY 1995 Berlant' (on the reverse) found metal collage with brads on silver with gold inlay

4 7/8 x 3 3/4 in. 12.4 x 9.5 cm

## \$2,000 - 3,000

#### Provenance

L.A. Louver, Venice Acquired from the above by the present owner

#### Exhibited

Venice, L.A. Louver, Recent Miracles, 1995



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#### 27

## WILLIAM THEOPHILUS BROWN (1919-2012) Untitled (Landscape with Buildings), 1990

signed and dated 'Theophilus Brown 90' (lower right) acrylic and graphite on paper

10 x 11 1/2 in. 25.4 x 29.2 cm

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

#### Provenance

Tatistcheff Gallery, New York Koplin Gallery, Los Angeles Acquired from the above by the present owner in 1998



#### 28 PAUL WONNER (1920-2008)

Twenty-Seven Studies for Romantic Views of San Francisco: #14 Dawn with Red Sun Behind Fog, 1980

signed 'Paul Wonner' (lower right); signed twice, titled, inscribed and dated 'PAUL WONNER "TWENTY-SEVEN STUDIES FOR ROMANTIC VIEWS OF SAN FRANCISCO: #14 DAWN WITH RED SUN BEHIND FOG." ACRYLIC, 1980 (on the reverse) acrylic on paper

18 x 16 7/8 in. 45.7 x 42.9 cm

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

Provenance James Corcoran Gallery, Los Angeles

## 29 WILLIAM THEOPHILUS BROWN (1919-2012) Untitled, 1986

signed and dated 'Theophilus Brown 86' (lower right); signed and dated again (on the reverse) acrylic on canvas

53 7/8 x 76 3/8 in. 136.8 x 194 cm

\$7,000 - 9,000

#### Provenance

John Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco Acquired from the above by the present owner





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30 LARRY COHEN (B. 1952) View of the Golden Gate Bridge, 2001-05

signed 'LARRY COHEN' (on the reverse) and signed again (on the stretcher) oil on canvas

34 1/8 x 58 1/8 in. 86.7 x 147.6 cm

\$3,000 - 4,000

**Provenance** Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner *circa* 2005



#### 31 FLAVIO CABRAL (1916-1990) Untitled

signed 'Flavio Cabral' (lower left) oil on board

32 1/4 x 42 in. 81.9 x 106.7 cm

\$2,000 - 3,000

#### **Provenance** Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner

Born in 1918 in New York City to Portuguese parents from Trinidad, Flavio Cabral moved to Los Angeles 1936 where he lived and worked until his death in 1990. In 1936 Cabral had a chance encounter with famed muralist David Siqueiros in New York City while attending a workshop helping to construct floats for the infamous parade General Strike for Peace and May Day alongside a then young artist Jackson Pollock. A supporter of Cabral's from that moment on, Siqueiros has said of Cabral's work "In the area of realism, Cabral absorbed a progressive social inclination, a modern material technique in all the positive breadth of these terms, a form and style imbued with a social sense, with 'his' technique, and as consequence of all this, an aesthetic sense particular only to Cabral."



#### PROPERTY FROM A PRIVATE COLLECTION, SANTA ROSA

## 32

## WILLIAM T. WILEY (B. 1937)

Blue Stump, 1978

signed, titled, inscribed and dated 'BLUE STUMP BAY • FAN AT THE WINDOW • July 1978 VOODOCKERSKETCH William T. Wiley' (along the lower edge); titled and inscribed 'CHICAGO 'BLUE STUMP' W/C AND ACRYLIC' (on the reverse) watercolor, acrylic and ink on paper

14 x 20 in. 35.6 x 50.8 cm

\$3,000 - 5,000

#### Provenance

Alice Adam Ltd., Chicago Struve Gallery, Chicago Acquired from the above by the present owner *circa* 1990

#### Exhibited

Minneapolis, Walker Art Center, *Wiley Territory*, 9 December 1979 -27 January 1980 (illustrated in the exhibition catalogue, p. 70) (this exhibition later traveled to Dallas, Texas, Dallas Museum of Fine Arts, 10 May - 21 June 1980, Denver, Colorado, The Denver Art Museum, 19 July - 31 August 1980, Des Moines, Iowa, Des Moines Art Center, 29 September - 9 November 1980 and San Francisco, California, San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, 12 December 1980 - 25 January 1981)

Chicago, Struve Gallery, New Paintings, Constructions and Watercolors, 1989



## PROPERTY FROM A PRIVATE COLLECTION, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

#### 33

#### **ROY DE FOREST (1930-2007)**

Luck of the Red Cross Dog, 1997

signed, titled, inscribed and dated 'Roy De Forest Drawing! LUCK OF THE RED CROSS DOG 1997' (lower center) acrylic, pastel, charcoal, ink, graphite and glitter on paper in artist's frame

*Framed dimensions:* 35 x 39 1/2 in. 88.9 x 100.3 cm

\$5,000 - 7,000

#### Provenance

Koplin Gallery, Los Angeles Private Collection, Southern California (acquired from the above in 2000)

#### Exhibited

Los Angeles, Koplin Gallery, Drawings V, 27 July - 2 September 2000

34 **ALAN RATH (B. 1959)** *Triple Tongue Tree*, 1998

aluminum, acrylic, steel and custom electronics

78 x 35 x 40 in. 189.1 x 88.9 x 101.6 cm

## \$25,000 - 35,000

#### Provenance

Denver Art Museum, Denver Anon. sale, Clars Auction Gallery, Oakland, 13 September 2009, lot 6287 Acquired at the above sale by the present owner



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#### 35 JOAN BROWN (1938-1990)

Portrait of a Horse, 1972

signed, titled, inscribed and dated 'Joan Brown "Portrait of a Horse" 4/12/72 right panel' (on the reverse of the right panel); signed, titled, inscribed and dated 'Joan Brown "Portrait of a Horse" 4/12/72 left panel' (on the reverse of the left panel) enamel on masonite (diptych)

*Overall dimensions:* 84 x 96 in. 213.4 x 243.8 cm

\$30,000 - 50,000





#### 36 ROBERT KINMONT (B. 1937)

I'm Not Going to Tell You All My Secrets, 1971

cherrywood

30 5/8 x 71 7/8 x 22 7/8 in. 77.8 x 182.6 x 58.1 cm

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

#### Provenance

Reese Palley/San Francisco, San Francisco Acquired from the above by the present owner *circa* 1971

#### Exhibited

Napa, di Rosa, *Robert Kinmont: Trying to Understand Where I Grew Up*, 31 October 2015 – 24 January 2016

Robert Kinmont was born in Los Angeles in 1936, but grew up in the small town of Bishop, California before moving to Sonoma, where he still lives and works. One of the pioneering artists in the California Conceptual movement in the late 1960s and 70s, Kinmont's works incorporated nature and environment, as well as humor, like other California Conceptual artists such as Paul Kos, John Baldessari and Chris Burden. His series of photographs, *8 Natural Handstands* embodies the ideals of California Conceptualism perfectly: Kinmont performed an expert handstand in eight different outdoor locations, the first in the Sierra Nevada mountains on the edge of a cliff.

After a twenty year hiatus as an artist, Kinmont returned to the practice and has been included in numerous exhibitions including *State of Mind: New California Art Circa 1970*, co-organized by the Berkeley Art Museum and Orange County Museum of Art for the Getty Symposium Pacific Standard Time in 2011-12; *Ends of the Earth: Art of the Land to 1974* at the Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles in 2012; *Afterlife: A Constellation* as part of the Whitney Biennial in 2014; and solo exhibitions at the di Rosa: Center for Contemporary Art in Napa in 2015, Alexander and Bonin in New York in 2009, 2011, 2014, and 2017.



ROBERT KINMONT 8 Natural Handstands (detail) 1969/2009 nine silver gelatin prints 8 1/2 x 8 1/2 in. / 21.5 x 21.5 cm photo: Joerg Lohse image courtesy of Alexander and Bonin, New York





(detail)



37 GEORGE HERMS (B. 1935) *Hide*, 1992

metal, steel and wire assemblage

60 x 25 1/2 x 8 5/8 in. 152.4 x 64.8 x 22 cm

\$3,000 - 5,000



## 38 TIMOTHY WASHINGTON (B. 1946)

Red, White & Blue, circa 1996

signed 'Tim Washington' (on the right side); signed again 'Timothy Washington' (on the base) acrylic, wood, glass, metal, yarn, string, ceramic and battery assemblage on wooden base

*Overall dimensions:* 33 1/4 x 11 x 14 in. 84.5 x 27.9 x 35.6 cm

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

#### Provenance

Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner

Timothy Washington was born in 1946, growing up in South Los Angeles and attending Chouinard Art Institute (now Cal Arts). It was during this time he moved away from his classical training in favor of assemblage using found materials, expressing the social Black consciousness through objects, in tandem with his contemporaries David Hammons, Betye Saar, Noah Purifoy and John Outterbridge. Washington exhibited at both Brockman Gallery and Gallery 52 in Los Angeles in the 1970s and 80s, legendary galleries featuring the work of Black artists in America. Washington's works were also included in the 1971 exhibition at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art *Three Graphic Artists: Charles White, David Hammons, Timothy Washington*.

In 2014 Washington had his first solo exhibition in Los Angeles, *Timothy Washington: Love Thy Neighbor* in 2014 at the Craft & Folk Art Museum. Washington still lives and works in Los Angeles.



## PROPERTY FROM A PRIVATE COLLECTION, LOS ANGELES

39

**EDWARD KIENHOLZ (1927-1994)** For \$111.00, 1969

with artist's fingerprint, signed and dated 'KIENHOLZ 69' (lower right) watercolor and ink on paper in artist's frame

*Framed dimensions:* 12 1/4 x 16 1/8 in. 31 x 41 cm

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

Provenance

Gemini G.E.L., Los Angeles Acquired from the above by the previous owner By descent from the above to the present owners



## PROPERTY FROM A PRIVATE COLLECTION, LOS ANGELES

## 40

**EDWARD KIENHOLZ (1927-1994)** *For \$114.00*, 1969

with artist's fingerprint, signed and dated 'KIENHOLZ 69' (lower right) watercolor and ink on paper in artist's frame

*Framed dimensions:* 12 1/4 x 16 1/8 in. 31 x 41 cm

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

Provenance

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41 **LLYN FOULKES (B. 1934)** *Untitled*, 1969

signed and dated 'Llyn Foulkes 1969' (right center) oil, acrylic, graphite and colored pencil on panel

25 1/4 x 32 1/2 in. 64.1 x 82.6 cm

## \$3,000 - 5,000

#### Provenance

Galerie Darthea Speyer, Paris Anon. sale, Christie's, Paris, 7 July 2010, lot 5 Acquired at the above sale by the present owner



## PROPERTY FROM A PRIVATE COLLECTION, LOS ANGELES

42

**EDWARD KIENHOLZ (1927-1994)** *For \$115.00, 1969* 

with artist's fingerprint, signed and dated 'KIENHOLZ 69' (lower right) watercolor and ink on paper in artist's frame

*Framed dimensions:* 12 1/4 x 16 1/8 in. 31 x 41 cm

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

#### Provenance

Gemini G.E.L., Los Angeles Acquired from the above by the previous owner By descent from the above to the present owners



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43

**EDWARD KIENHOLZ (1927-1994)** *For \$116.00, 1969* 

with artist's fingerprint, signed and dated 'KIENHOLZ 69' (lower right) watercolor and ink on paper in artist's frame

*Framed dimensions:* 12 1/4 x 16 1/8 in. 31 x 41 cm

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

#### Provenance

Gemini G.E.L., Los Angeles Acquired from the above by the previous owner By descent from the above to the present owners

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## PROPERTY FROM A PRIVATE COLLECTION, LOS ANGELES

44

**EDWARD KIENHOLZ (1927-1994)** For \$118.00, 1969

with artist's fingerprint, signed and dated 'KIENHOLZ 69' (lower right) watercolor and ink on paper in artist's frame

*Framed dimensions:* 12 1/4 x 16 1/8 in. 31 x 41 cm

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

#### Provenance

Gemini G.E.L., Los Angeles Acquired from the above by the previous owner By descent from the above to the present owners



#### 45 **CRAIG KAUFFMAN (1932-2010)** *Untitled*, 1976

signed with artist's initials and dated 'CK76' gouache, ink and paper collage on paper

29 7/8 x 22 1/2 in. 75.9 x 57.2 cm

\$3,000 - 5,000

#### Provenance

Margo Leavin Gallery, Los Angeles Acquired from the above by the present owner

#### Exhibited

Los Angeles, Margo Leavin Gallery, *Three Generations: Studies in Collage*, 26 January - 4 March 1978



46 FLETCHER BENTON (B. 1931) Folded Circle Ring Zig, 1999

steel with oxidized patina

14 x 14 x 15 1/2 in. 35.6 x 35.6 x 39.4 cm

\$3,000 - 5,000



47 **MORRIS GRAVES (1910-2001)** *Untitled (Bird)*, 1955

signed and dated 'Graves '55' (lower left) ink on handmade paper

14 3/4 x 21 3/8 in. 37.5 x 54.3 cm

\$2,500 - 3,500

**Provenance** Anon. sale, Bonhams, Los Angeles, 23 November 2010, lot 1009 Acquired at the above sale by the present owner



48 **JENNIFER BARTLETT (B. 1941)** In the Garden #46, 1980

numbered '46' (lower right) watercolor and graphite on paper

19 5/8 x 25 1/2 in. 49.8 x 64.8 cm

\$4,000 - 6,000

Provenance Margo Leavin Gallery, Los Angeles Acquired from the above by the present owner

#### Exhibited

New York, Paula Cooper Gallery, *Drawings*, 9 January - 7 February 1981 Los Angeles, Margo Leavin Gallery, *In the Garden*, 7 April - 2 May 1981

#### Literature

J. Russell, Jennifer Bartlett: In the Garden, New York, 1982 (illustrated in color, unpaged)



## PROPERTY OF MAURICE TUCHMAN, LOS ANGELES

49 MANUEL OCAMPO (B. 1965) La Ripaille - The Priest, 1991

oil and printed paper collage on canvas

57 1/2 x 87 5/8 in. 146.1 x 222.6 cm

\$5,000 - 7,000

**Provenance** Fred Hoffman Gallery, Santa Monica Acquired from the above by the present owner

#### Exhibited

Santa Monica, Fred Hoffman Gallery, Manuel Ocampo, 1991



#### 50 CHARLES GARABEDIAN (1923-2016) Nosferatu, 1978

signed and dated 'C Garabedian Jan. 25, 1978' (lower right) charcoal and watercolor on paper

29 3/4 x 40 in. 75.6 x 101.6 cm

\$4,000 - 6,000

Provenance L.A. Louver, Venice



#### 51 CHARLES GARABEDIAN (1923-2016) Untitled (Red Skull), 1981

acrylic and watercolor on paper

38 7/8 x 59 in. 98.7 x 149.9 cm

\$4,000 - 6,000

#### Provenance

Anon. sale, Bonhams, Los Angeles, 21 October 2013, lot 70 Acquired at the above sale by the present owner



### 52 CHRISTOPHER BROWN (B. 1951)

Heads & Hats, 1990

signed, signed with artist's initials, titled and dated 'Christopher Brown 1990 HEADS & HATS CB' (on the reverse) oil on linen

32 1/8 x 32 1/4 in. 81.6 x 81.9 cm

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

#### Provenance

Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco Acquired from the above by the present owner in 1990



#### 53 FRANK LOBDELL (1921-2013) Untitled, 2001

signed with artist's initial and dated 'L 6  $\bullet$  8  $\bullet$  01' (lower right) crayon and ink on sketchbook paper

12 x 9 in. 30.5 x 22.9 cm

\$2,000 - 3,000

#### Provenance

Hackett-Freeman Gallery, San Francisco Acquired from the above by the present owner


# **PROPERTY FROM A PRIVATE COLLECTION**

54

# NORMAN STIEGELMEYER (1937-1984)

The Return of Orpheus, 1976

signed, titled twice and dated '1976 "The Return of Orpheus" N. Stiegelmeyer' (on the reverse) acrylic and metallic paint on canvas

67 3/4 x 84 in. 172.1 x 213.4 cm

\$4,000 - 6,000

#### Provenance

Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner

# PROPERTY FROM A PRIVATE COLLECTION, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

55 GORDON ONSLOW FORD (1912-2003)

Persons of the Place, 1949

signed, titled and dated 'Persons of the Place 1949 G. Onslow Ford' (on the reverse of the frame) casein on paper

26 1/4 x 37 3/8 in. 66.7 x 94.9 cm

# \$10,000 - 15,000

# Provenance

Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner



56 CLAIRE FALKENSTEIN (1908-1997) Untitled

copper and glass

11 1/2 x 13 x 1 1/4 in. 29.2 x 33 x 3.2 cm

# \$8,000 - 12,000

# Provenance

Collection of Olive Thompson Cowell (a gift from the artist) Acquired from the above by the present owner





57 **JOE GOODE (B. 1937)** *Miskolc* (from the *Ozone* series, No. 16), 1992

oil on canvas

42 1/8 x 31 in. 107 x 78.8 cm

# \$15,000 - 20,000

**Provenance** L.A. Louver, Venice Acquired from the above by the present owner

#### Exhibited

Venice, L.A. Louver, *Joe Goode: Pollution Paintings*, 8 January - 5 February 1994 Newport Beach, Orange County Museum of Art, *Joe Goode*, 26 January - 13 April 1997, no. 29 (illustrated in color in the exhibition catalogue, p. 49)



58 CLAIRE FALKENSTEIN (1908-1997) Untitled

welded copper

7 5/8 x 9 x 8 in. 19.4 x 22.9 x 20.3 cm

\$3,000 - 5,000

# Provenance

Collection of Olive Thompson Cowell (a gift from the artist) Acquired from the above by the present owner



# PROPERTY FROM A PRIVATE COLLECTION

59 JOE GOODE (B. 1937) Untitled (from the Nighttime series), 1977

signed and dated 'Joe Goode 1977' (lower center); numbered '21' (lower left) charcoal powder on cut paper

14 7/8 x 22 1/4 in. 37.8 x 56.5 cm

\$5,000 - 7,000

#### **Proven**ance

Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner

#### 60 CLAIRE FALKENSTEIN (1908-1997)

Untitled (from the Point as a Set series), circa 1960

copper, steel and gold paint

14 x 15 1/2 x 15 in. 35.6 x 39.4 x 38.1 cm

\$15,000 - 25,000

#### Provenance

Acquired directly from the artist by the previous owner *circa* 1960 By descent to the present owner in 1973

Noted Italian architect, Luigi Moretti, commissioned Claire Falkenstein to create the gates of the villa he was designing in the surrounding area of Rome in the 1950s. Falkenstein's gates at Villa La Saracena, Santa Marinella (1955-1957) open to the beach of the Mediterranean Sea from the backside of the villa. Shortly after working with Falkenstein, Architect Moretti acquired the present lot, *Untitled* (from the *Point as a Set* series).



Villa La Saracena Gates, Santa Marinella





61 **RUSSELL CROTTY (B. 1956)** *Night Fall Over Chumash Boulder Problem*, 2004

signed, inscribed and dated 'NIGHTFALL "CHUMASH PYRAMID" BOULDER PROBLEM LOWER LATIGO CANYON INK AND WATERCOLOR ON PAPER Russell Crotty 2004 48" x 48"' (on the reverse) ink and watercolor on paper

48 x 48 in. 121.9 x 121.9 cm

# \$4,000 - 6,000

**Provenance** Shoshana Wayne Gallery, Santa Monica Acquired from the above by the present owner



# 62

JOE GOODE (B. 1937) Hyperion (from the Moon series, MNp 38), 1998

signed and numbered 'Joe Goode 98' (on the reverse) oil on paper

17 3/4 x 15 5/8 in. 45.1 x 39.7 cm

# \$6,000 - 8,000

# Provenance

L.A. Louver, Venice Acquired from the above by the present owner

# PROPERTY FROM A PRIVATE COLLECTION, BEVERLY HILLS

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# **ROSS BLECKNER (B. 1949)**

The Shifting of Light, 1994

signed and dated 'Ross Bleckner 1994' (on the reverse) oil on canvas

96 x 120 in. 243.8 x 304.8 cm

#### \$20,000 - 30,000

#### Provenance

Mary Boone Gallery, New York Turner & Byrne Gallery, Dallas Anon. sale, Christie's, New York, 16 March 2006, lot 160 Acquired at the above sale by the present owner

#### Exhibited

New York, Mary Boone Gallery, *Ross Bleckner*, 7 May - 25 June 1994 Houston, Contemporary Arts Museum Houston, *Perspectives @ 25: A Quarter Century of New Art in Houston*, 16 October 2004 - 9 January 2005, no. 62 (illustrated in color, p. 68)

#### Literature

R. Smith, "Art in Review", *The New York Times*, New York, 27 May 1994 (illustrated in color, p. C24)



64 BILLY AL BENGSTON (B. 1934) Petabast, 1989

acrylic on canvas

60 x 48 in. 152.4 x 121.9 cm

# \$10,000 - 15,000

**Provenance** James Corcoran Gallery, Los Angeles Imago Galleries, Palm Desert Acquired from the above by the present owner

#### Exhibited

Los Angeles, James Corcoran Gallery, *Billy Al Bengston: Paintings for the 90's*, 1 - 31 May 1990, no. 9 (illustrated in color in the exhibition catalogue, unpaged)





65 JOE GOODE (B. 1937) Untitled (Black Photo Cloud Triptych), 1969-70

signed and dated 'Joe Goode 1969-70' (on the center stretcher) oil on canvas (triptych)

*Overall dimensions:* 36 x 108 in. 91.4 x 274.3 cm

\$100,000 - 150,000

#### Provenance

Estate of Nicholas Wilder, Los Angeles Kohn Gallery, Los Angeles Barbara Mathes Gallery, New York Acquired from the above by the present owner

## Exhibited

New York, Franklin Parrasch Gallery, *Joe Goode: '60s and '70s*, 23 February - 14 April 2007 New York, Barbara Mathes Gallery, *Diptychs and Triptychs*, 30 April - 3 July 2015 Los Angeles, Kohn Gallery, *The Lost Album*, 8 July - 1 September 2017



"Everything we see hides another thing; we always want to see what it hidden by what we see. There is an interest in that which is hidden and which the visible does not show us. This interest can take the form of a quite intense feeling, a sort of conflict, one might say, between the visible that is hidden and the visible that is present.<sup>1</sup>"

-Rene Magritte

Joe Goode's Black Photo Cloud Series Triptych (1969-70) presents the viewer with a visual conundrum—a riddle that delves into the realm of what is real or not. It is a work that brilliantly layers elements that provide a discourse of the visible and what it means to be an image and object maker in the contemporary world. Goode began to explore the concept of object hood with his Milk Bottle paintings in the 60s, by placing a milk bottle in front of his painted canvas. The inclusion of a three-dimensional object was the beginning for the goals of his practice, creating a new meaning in objects by making them visible to a viewer through the visual perception of a given object. In an interview for The Getty's landmark exhibition Pacific Standard Time, Goode explains the core of his practice, "One of the ways I am really looking for, what I am looking for, is to try and see something, in a way that may be impossible." Goode's work is comprised of series of images of images, images of objects, and objects defined by images. His work takes us on a cyclical ride into the image and back out again, creating paradoxical meanings that allow us, as viewers, to gain a new perspective on the meaning of images within our world.

Black Photo Cloud Series Triptych is in a simple description a painting of photographs of clouds. A painting, by definition, is an object that contains an image. That image which one sees as a viewer is a construct of the artist. Inherently, a painting will contain elements of an alternate reality, even if it were created by the artist to depict what lay before them (such as in a still life) in a highly accurate manner. This is due to the inaccuracy of a work that is handmade, the artistic license that an artist may take (either consciously or unconsciously) and the bias of personal experience that will produce, inevitably, an inaccurate and artistically biased portrayal of what is understood to be "real." Conversely, an artist can, however-through that same artistic license-create a new, pictorial truth outside of reality. A painting, like a poem, therefore can carry an embedded meaning beyond its mere representation of reality. Rene Magritte employs the method of trompe l'oeil (a technique of painting from reality that translates to "trick of the eye") in his painting of a pipe, titled The Treachery of Images (1928-29). Through his use of image and text, Magritte cleverly lays out this principal-representation versus reality. Under the image of the pipe is written "Ceci n'est ne pas une pipe." (This is not a pipe.) Magritte calls into question what is an actual pipe versus a picture of a pipe. Goode similarly posits a series of questions in his Black Photo Cloud Series Triptych. Do we, the viewer, see a painted image of an actual photograph? Or are we viewing a painting that is the construct of an artist's mind and merely represents the image of a photograph?

The subject of Goode's *Black Photo Cloud Series Triptych*, a photograph, is also important to understanding the painting. A photograph is (like a painting) a container for an image. The image is, of course produced through a camera, which is then recorded on film and then can be printed. The common myth of a photograph is that it documents reality—what is seen before the photographer through his or her lens. Photographs, however, do not always tell the viewer an entire story through image. The camera is, after all, an instrument used by an artist who can manipulate the image, no longer documenting reality. One famous case is that of U.S. Civil War journalist Alexander Gardner and his photograph *Sharpshooter's Last Sleep* (1863). The photograph graphically details the horrors of war. But, as it was revealed, Gardner dragged the bodies of dead soldiers to

compositionally create a narrative around a storyline of a sharpshooter and heighten the dramatic nature of the photo. Gardner's photograph illustrates how photography is not the pure arbiter of reality—it like a *trump l'oeil* painting is a "trick of the eye." In Goode's painting the use of a painted image of a photograph creates a representational distance between the painted image and the original image, thereby distorting what may or may not be reality. Goode makes visible the relativity and subjectivity of the concepts of image and truth.

One can find further meaning in the subject of Goode's painted photographs within Black Photo Cloud Series Triptych-the cloud. What does Goode tell us about the image making through the act of painting a photograph of a cloud? Clouds, of course, are objects in motion. They are ephemeral and in a constant state of flux, formed by condensed droplets of water moving in the sky. The shape of a cloud is, therefore impossible to define. It is a representation of as much of what we can see, for what we cannot see. A photograph of a cloud attempts to define it, even just in that fleeting moment. By isolating the object in a photograph he allows the viewer to make his artistic intent visible by using the frame of the photograph as a way for the viewer to focus their gaze on the image of the cloud. It is a deliberate device that Goode has repeatedly used to call attention to an object "by making a picture that is looking through something." Black Photo Cloud Series Triptych leaves the viewer with a series of unanswered questions. Are we seeing the same cloud in Goode's work from four different vantage points? Or are we seeing four different clouds? Are we seeing the same cloud at different moments in time? The truth that emerges from his images is only the impossibility of the task at hand, to fully define the undefinable.

Color, of course, in Black Photo Cloud Series Triptych is also an important element. Goode's choice of the color black, like his combination of medium and subject, adds to his visual riddle. Painter Josef Albers in his book "Interaction of Color" wrote about the conflict within the understanding of color, "In visual perception a color is almost never seen as it really is-as it physically is. This fact makes color the most relative medium in art. In order to use it effectively it is necessary to recognize that color deceives us continually." Black is perhaps the most complex hue from a conceptual view of seeing color as image. It is by definition a contradiction, adding to the layers of meaning with Goode's painting by being simultaneously visible and invisible. The color black is defined in one of two ways. On one hand it is produced by the absence of all light. In pure blackness nothing is visible, for example. Black is also defined as the saturation of all colors together. Black then becomes the opposite of itself and back again. How can the combination of all color-formed from light-produce the absence of light? It is a cumulative paradox, positing the question: is it possible to see something that is invisible? Perhaps the statement "I prefer to see with my eyes closed", written by Albers, best sums up the open-ended duality of the visibly invisible in Goode's work.

<sup>1</sup> R. Magritte, Radio interview with Jean Neyens, 1965, cited in H. Torczyner, *Magritte: Ideas and Images*, New York, p. 172

<sup>2</sup> Joe, Goode. "Joe Goode Speaks about His Work." Pacific Standard Time, The Getty Center, Mar. 2011, blogs.getty.edu/ pacificstandardtime/explore-the-era/archives/v12/.

<sup>3</sup> J. Albers, Interaction of Color, New Haven, 1963, p. 1



66 ERIC ORR (1939-1998) Untitled, 1980

signed and dated 'Orr 80' (on the lead overlap) airbrushed acrylic on plastic with lead on panel

48 1/2 x 39 1/4 in. 123.2 x 100 cm

\$5,000 - 7,000

"The most widely held misconception about Light and Space art is that it involves things; in its purest form, it's completely intangible and exists only in the sensate mind." –Eric Orr



67 GEORGE ERNSTSON (1945-2011) Untitled, 2004 Untitled, 2004 Untitled, 2004

each anodized aluminum and Plexiglas

(*i*), (*iii*): 15 7/8 x 15 7/8 x 11 1/4 in. (40.3 x 40.3 x 28.6 cm) (*iii*): 16 x 16 x 11 1/4 in. (40.6 x 40.6 x 28.6 cm)

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

Born in 1945 in Hamburg, Germany, George Ernstson received his B.A. in Fine Arts at San Francisco State University in 1968 and his M.A. in Sculpture at the University of California, Berkeley in 1969. While at UC Berkeley, studying under the tutelage of Peter Voulkos and Ron Nagle, Ernstson discovered the industrial arts building on campus and was introduced to new materials at the time: polyester resin, fiberglass and aluminum. Creating works in these new materials, Ernstson visited Los Angeles and became instantly intrigued by the Southern California artists working in these materials, Larry Bell, Robert Irwin, Peter Alexander, De Wain Valentine and James Turrell; the so-called Light and Space artists.

According to Ernstson, he has "experimented with the interaction of light, form, color, and scale. By restricting the composition to the linear corrugated surface, I have created a format on which the colors can react to light. The initial works appear as free-floating...projected from the wall by constructed back supports, creating shadow images which duplicate the edges of the curved surface."

Ernstson's works are included in numerous Californian private and public collections, and he has won various awards for his works, including the honor of Best of Show and K.A.C.E. Award in 1968 at the Crocker-Kingsley Art Club in Sacramento. The competition that year was guest juried by Wanda Hansen of Hansen Gallery in San Francisco, Paul Mills, then curator of the Oakland Museum, and Maurice Tuchman, then curator at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art.



(altermate view)





68 **HELEN PASHGIAN (B. 1934)** *Untitled #5*, 2006

epoxy on panel

30 x 45 3/4 x 4 1/4 in. 76.2 x 116.2 x 10.8 cm

\$3,000 - 5,000

**Provenance** Patricia Faure Gallery, Santa Monica Acquired from the above by the present owner



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69 VASA VELIZAR MIHICH (B. 1933) Untitled #2677, 1985

signed, numbered and dated '#2677 Vasa  $\ensuremath{\mathbb{O}}$  1985' (on the underside) laminated cast acrylic

*Diameter:* 14 in. 35.6 cm

\$3,000 - 5,000

# Provenance

Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner

# 70 CHARLES ARNOLDI (B. 1946)

Megabyte, 2005

signed, titled, inscribed, numbered and dated 'ARNOLDI 2005 05.113 98 X 98 "MEGABYTE"' (on the reverse) acrylic on canvas on panel

98 x 98 in. 248.9 x 248.9 cm

# \$20,000 - 30,000

# Provenance

Charles Cowles Gallery Inc., New York Private Collection Anon. sale, Bonhams, Los Angeles, 31 March 2015, lot 150 Acquired at the above sale by the present owner

# Exhibited

New York, Charles Cowles Gallery Inc., Charles Arnoldi: New Paintings, 2005





71 **YOKO ONO (B. 1933)** *Untitled*, 2014

signed with artist's initials and dated 'Y.O. 2014' (lower center) glazed ceramic

*Height:* 1 1/2 in. (3.8 cm) *Diameter:* 10 7/8 in. (27.6 cm)

# \$2,000 - 4,000

# Provenance

Anon. sale, A Benefit Auction for Chelsea Arts Club, London, 29 May 2014, lot 24 Acquired at the above sale by the present owner



# PROPERTY FROM THE PORTLAND ART MUSEUM, PORTLAND, OREGON, SOLD TO BENEFIT THE MUSEUM ACQUISITION FUND

#### 72 BILLY AL BENGSTON (B. 1934) Venus, 2008

signed with artist's initials, titled and dated 'BAB VENUS 2008 ©' (lower left) metallic ink on paper

9 1/2 x 7 1/2 in. 24.1 x 19.1 cm

# \$3,000 - 5,000

#### Provenance

Private Collection (acquired directly from the artist in 2008) Portland Art Museum, Portland (acquired from the above in 2010) 73 **ED RUSCHA (B. 1937)** S (on "Floor's Spain" - 1971 Edition), 2001

with the title, studio number and date '"S" 2001 PB2001.14' (on artist's studio label on the reverse of the frame) bleach on book cover in artist's frame

*Overall dimensions:* 9 1/4 x 8 3/4 in. 23.5 x 22.2 cm

\$12,000 - 18,000

# Provenance

Hamilton-Selway Fine Art, Los Angeles Private Collection, Beverly Hills





#### 74 BILLY AL BENGSTON (B. 1934) Venice, 1974

signed with the artist's initials, titled and dated 'B.A.B. VENICE 1974' (lower center) watercolor on paper

11 1/4 x 11 3/8 in. 28.6 x 28.9 cm

# \$3,000 - 5,000

# Provenance

Willard Gallery, New York (acquired directly from the artist) Private Collection, California Franklin Parrasch Gallery, New York Barbara Mathes Gallery, New York Acquired from the above by the present owner

#### Exhibited

New York, Barbara Mathes Gallery, Portraits of Places, 2 November - 22 December 2017



75 **TONY BERLANT (B. 1941)** *Untitled, circa* 1980

found tin collage with steel brads on plywood construction

7 1/4 x 7 1/2 x 5 5/8 in. 18.4 x 19.1 x 14.3 cm

\$4,000 - 6,000

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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 (323) 850 7500.

#### 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.

#### **BIDDING & BUYING AT AUCTION**

Whether you are an experienced bidder or an enthusiastic novice, auctions provide a stimulating atmosphere unlike any other. Bonhams previews and sales are free and open to the public. As you will find in these directions, bidding and buying at auction is easy and exciting. Should you have any further questions, please visit our website at **www.bonhams.com** or call our Client Services Department at +1 (323) 850 7500.

#### Catalogs

Before each auction we publish illustrated catalogs that include dates and times for previews and auctions. Our catalogs also provide descriptions and estimated values for each "lot." A lot may refer to a single item or to a group of items auctioned together. We offer our catalogs by subscription or by single copy. For information on subscribing to our catalogs, you may refer to the subscription form in this catalog, call our Client Services Department, or visit our website at www.bonhams.com/us.

#### Previews

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

#### Estimates

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

#### Reserves

All lots in a catalog are subject to a reserve unless otherwise indicated. The reserve is the minimum price that the seller is willing to accept for a lot. This amount is confidential and does not exceed the low estimated value.

#### **BIDDING AT AUCTION**

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

A valid Bonhams client account is required to participate in bidding activity. You can obtain registration information online, at the reception desk or by calling our Client Services Department.

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

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

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

#### In Person

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

#### Absentee Bids

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

#### By Telephone

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

#### Online

Web users may place absentee bids online from anywhere in the world. To bid online, please visit our website at **www. bonhams.com/us**.

We are pleased to make our live online bidding facility available to bidders in this sale.

Additional terms and conditions of sale relating to online bidding will apply. Please see **www.bonhams.com/24715** or contact the Client Services Department to obtain information and learn how you can register and bid online in this sale.

#### **Bid Increments**

Bonhams generally uses the following increment multiples as bidding progresses:

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

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

#### **Currency Converter**

Solely for the convenience of bidders, a currency converter may be provided at Bonhams sales. The rates quoted for conversion of other currencies to U.S. Dollars are indications only and should not be relied upon by a bidder, and neither Bonhams nor its agents shall be responsible for any errors or omissions in the operation or accuracy of the currency converter.

#### **Buyer's Premium**

A buyer's premium is added to the winning bid price of each individual lot purchased, at the rates set forth in the Conditions of Sale. The winning bid price plus the premium constitute the purchase price for the lot. Applicable sales taxes are computed based on this figure, and the total becomes your final purchase price.

Unless specifically illustrated and noted, fine art frames are not included in the estimate or purchase price. Bonhams accepts no liability for damage or loss to frames during storage or shipment.

All sales are final and subject to the Conditions of Sale found in our catalogs, on our website, and available at the reception desk.

#### Payment

All buyers are asked to pay and pick up by 3pm on the business day following the auction. Payment may be made to Bonhams by cash, checks drawn on a U.S. bank, money order, wire transfer, or by Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover credit or charge card or debit card. All items must be paid for within 5 business days of the sale. Please note that payment by personal or business check may result in property not being released until purchase funds clear our bank.

#### Sales Tax

Residents of states listed in Paragraph 1 of the Conditions of Sale must pay applicable sales tax. Other state or local taxes (or compensation use taxes) may apply. Sales tax will be automatically added to the invoice unless a valid resale number has been furnished or the property is shipped via common carrier to destinations outside the states listed in the Conditions of Sale. If you wish to use your resale license please contact Cashiers for our form.

#### Shipping & Removal

Buyers are to review the Offsite Sold Property Storage page for a list of lots that will be removed to the offsite warehouse of Box Brothers. These designated lots must be retrieved by the buyer prior to the day and time designated on the Offsite Sold Property Storage page. If buyers of these designated lots also buy other lots, such as decorations, rugs or works of art, these lots may also be removed to the warehouse of Box Brothers, so all lots remain together and customers can collect or ship from one location. All other items will remain at Bonhams for a period of 21 days, after which time they may be transferred to offsite storage. <u>Wine, Jewelry, Natural History,</u> <u>Collectibles, 20th Century Decorative Arts, Rugs, Native</u> <u>American Art, Tribal Art and most Arms & Armor auctions</u> are not included in this policy.

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Box Brothers is open Monday-Friday 8am-5pm with Saturday and Sunday hours available. Buyers must contact Box Brothers 24 hours in advance of pickup. Appointments are required.

Bonhams can accommodate shipping for certain items. Please contact our Cashiers Department for more information or to obtain a quote. Refer to Conditions of Sale for special terms governing the shipment of Arms and Wine. Shipments are made during weekday business hours up to four weeks after payment is received. Carriers are not permitted to deliver to P.O. Boxes.

International buyers are responsible for all import/export customs duties and taxes. An invoice stating the actual purchase price(s) will accompany all international purchases.

#### Simultaneous sale property collection notice:

If this sale previews in multiple cities, please see the title page for details regarding final location of property for collection.

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Please note: For sold lots removed to Box Brothers, there will be no post-sale storage charge for lots collected within 5 days from the sale date. For lots that remain at Bonhams, there will be no post-sale storage charge for lots collected within 21 days of the sale date. Handling fees may apply.

Lots uncollected at Bonhams after 21 days may be removed to the warehouse of Box Brothers. Handling and storage fees will apply.

Insurance: All sold lots are insured by Box Brothers at the sum of the hammer price plus buyer's premium.

#### Please refer to Box Brothers for a list of Handling, Storage and Insurance fees.

#### Payment

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The removal/storage and/or shipment by Box Brothers of any lots will be subject to their standard Conditions of Business, copies of which are available at Bonhams or from Box Brothers directly.

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- Automated Auction Results

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

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<b>General Notice:</b> 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.		ur bidding and h terms and Sale in conjunction and other dding. ay 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 10,000s      \$2,000 - 5,000by 200 / 500 / 800s    \$100,000 - 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.

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