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Auction:
Estate Auction
Featuring fine art, decorative arts, Asian art and jewelry
December 12, 2015

Previews: December 5,6 & 11 and by appointment

Location: Michaan's Auctions 2751 Todd Street Alameda, CA 94501

Catalog Calls It: Large Diamond, Louis Icart Top Sellers in December Estate

Michaan's estate catalog for the December 12th sale seemed to foretell the auction's outcome, as the top performers were featured on both the front and back covers. Highlighted upon the front is a diamond and platinum ring of an old European cut center stone of approximately 4.01 carats, listed as lot 115. The piece exceeded its high estimate of \$30,000, selling live to a St. Helena based coin and jewelry dealer for \$35,400 (\$15,000-30,000). Upon the back cover of the auction catalog is an image of one of the offered Louis lcart works that comprised lot 387. The pictured lounging period beauty titled "Sofa" was accompanied by an image of dancing can-can girls at auction. The two artworks sold for over 6 times estimations to an East Coast art dealer for \$9,440, leaving their \$1,000-1,500 projection far behind.

Asian offerings had the lengthiest list of property to exceed estimates at sale, lead by a delightful famille rose butterfly motif vase (lot 282, \$700-900). The early 20^{th} century globular form vase sprinkled with paintings of multicolored butterflies sold to a bidder in Beijing for just shy of 6 times the high estimate for \$5,310. More than doubling projections, in their



order of appearance from the category, were jade pendants (lot 232), a pair of porcelain qilin (lot 272), a famille rose Budai (lot 281), ornate mother of pearl inlaid furnishings (lot 299) and a group of three Paul Jacoulet woodblock prints (lot 329).

Of honorable mention at sale was a floral motif mount sapphire, diamond and platinum ring that managed to more than double estimates (lot 091), as well as Sevres-style tea service (lot 679) and an E. Howard & Co. wall clock (lot 568).

Complete results for the December estate auction as well as future sale information and bid submission is available online at www.michaans.com. For general information please call Michaan's Auctions at (510) 740-0220 ext. 0 or e-mail info@michaans.com. Michaan's Auctions is located at 2751 Todd Street, Alameda, CA 94501.