

## A CABINET OF CURIOSITIES – UNUSUAL ITEMS FROM AROUND THE WORLD – FEATURED AT TURNER AUCTIONS + APPRAISALS

### 110 Lots from Ancient Times-20th Century Go Up for Bid on December 7

**SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA, NOVEMBER 20, 2019** – Turner Auctions + Appraisals is pleased to present a Cabinet of Curiosities on Saturday, December 7, 2019 at 10:30 am PST, offering many interesting and unusual items from around the world. Sourced primarily from one collection, this online auction offers an eclectic array of 110 lots from ancient times to the 20th century.

Among the highlights are a Dorothy C. Thorpe ice bucket, a grouping of Maori jade, and an 18th-century Italian marble statue of Santa Marina. Paintings include works by Donald Teague, James Gleeson, Carlo Grubacs, and Hugo de Fitchner. The sale's intriguing antiquities feature a terra cotta head and statue, a phyxis, 18 ancient bronze arrows and spear points, and an Etruscan plate. From Asia are

Japanese items including a porcelain platter, Mongolian bowls, an Indonesian keris and knife, and a katar from India. From Europe are numerous snuff boxes from the 18th-19th centuries; a Majolica pitcher and platter; a Lalique box; Murano dancers; a crystal poudreuse set; porcelain items including a mermaid jar, sphynx, and Royal Vienna inkwell; four busts from the 1700s; a 19th-century obelisk;



Sèvres serving bowls; and more. Wooden items include miniature chests, and carved bowls, a rosary, a duck decoy, and phalluses. Also offered are an extensive selection of sterling silver tableware from Garrard and Tiffany, nautical dioramas, a painted conch shell, miniature chests, cast bronze statues, a Van Briggles pot, Russian boxes, brass candlesticks, and early photographs of San Francisco and Yosemite.

Turner Auctions + Appraisals begins its online auction on Saturday, December 7, 2019, at 10:30 am PST; sale items are available for preview and bidding now. The auction will be featured live on five platforms: LiveAuctioneers, Invaluable, Bidsquare, iCollector, and Turner Auctions + Appraisals' free mobile app, which can be



downloaded from the App Store or Google Apps ("Turner Auctions"). All are easily accessed through 'Upcoming Auctions' at the company's website: [www.turnerauctionsonline.com/upcoming-auctions/](http://www.turnerauctionsonline.com/upcoming-auctions/).



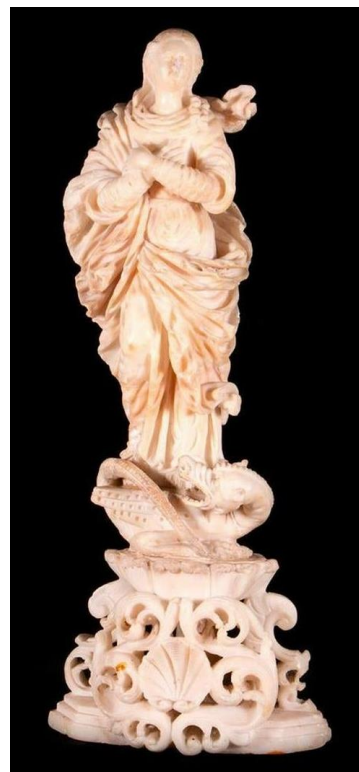
Here are some highlights of the upcoming sale (see details in the online catalog):

**Lot 1: A large, late 19th-century nautical diorama with an American steamship, tug**

**and sailboat**, measuring 24 inches high x 42 1/2 wide x 13 1/2 deep. Estimate \$400 - \$600. (Photo, top left)

**Lot 63: A Baroque 18th-century marble carving of Saint Marina, Southern Italy**, measuring 15 3/4 inches high x 6 1/2 wide x 3 1/2 deep.

Estimate \$600 - \$800. (Photo, top right)



**Lot 56: Eight pieces of Maori jade**, the largest piece measuring 2 1/2 inches high, and a jade and 14 K tie clip. Estimate \$400 - \$600. (Photo, middle left)

**Lot 65: An ancient Etruscan terra cotta head**,

measuring 5 inches high x 4 wide x 2 deep. Estimate \$400 - \$500. (Photo, lower right)

**Lot 32: A collection of six early 19th-century snuff boxes**, four hand-painted with historical and mythological themes and two lithograph transfers depicting a landscape and a city scene. The largest measures 3 3/4 inches in diameter. Estimate \$400 - \$600. (Photo, bottom left)



**Lot 72: A large bronze sculpture of a woman's torso.** Signed: Al Weiss / 83  
Edition: 1/25 Size: 40 inches total. Artwork: 30 inches. Base: 10 inches.  
Estimate \$800 - \$1,200. (Photo, top right)



**Lot 54: A collection of eighteen ancient bronze arrow and spear points,** the largest measuring 8 inches long. Estimate \$500 - \$700. (Photo, top left)

**Lot 57: A very finely cast 19th-century Grand Tour bronze vase,** depicting centaurs measuring 5 3/4 inches high x 6 3/4 wide x 4 1/2 deep. Estimate \$500 - \$700. (Photo, lower left)



**Lot 23: A late 19th- /early 20th-century Royal Vienna porcelain inkwell,** depicting an eagle and a serpent, possibly the national emblem of Mexico, measuring 5 1/2 inches high x 9 1/2 wide x 5 deep. Estimate \$600 - \$800. (Photo, lower right)

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**Lot 77: Framed watercolor.**



**Artist: Donald Teague (1897 - 1991).** Signed: lower right.  
Title: "Moroccan market." Size: 6.5" x 9" (image) 11" x 14" (frame). Estimate \$3,000 - \$4,000. (Photo, top, page 1)

**Lot 46: A Dorothy C. Thorpe (1904 - 1989) cast resin ice bucket,** circa 1940, of a polar bear on an iceberg, measuring 15 inches high x 10.5 wide x 10.75 deep. Estimate \$800 - \$1,200. (Photo, bottom, page 1)

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Based in South San Francisco, Turner Auctions + Appraisals was founded by Stephen Turner to expand and complement the capabilities of Stephen G. Turner Associates, an auction and appraisal consulting firm founded in 2004. Turner Auctions + Appraisals presents online auctions in diverse categories of personal property ([www.turnerauctionsonline.com](http://www.turnerauctionsonline.com)). Among them are Fine Arts, Decorative Arts, Asian

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