EDOUARD LÉON CORTÈS
Rue Royal, Paris
Oil on canvas
18 x 22 in.
Sold for: $71,700 (December 2007)
HA.com/656*23212

HARRIET WHITNEY FRISHMUTH
Reflections; Modeled 1930; Edition of 12.
Bronze with weathered green patina
54 in. high
Sold for: $203,150 (April 2007)
HA.com/650*33286
A world record for this model.

JAMIE WYETH
Ship’s Bell, 1976
Watercolor on paper
21 x 30 in.
Sold for: $59,750 (June 2009)
HA.com/5024*77128

ARTHUR DOVE
Continuity, 1939 (detail)
Tempera and encaustic on canvas
6in. x 8in.
Sold for: $131,450 May 2006
HA.com/628*23355

THOMAS MORAN
Devil’s Tower, Green River, Wyoming, 1919
Oil on canvas
20 x 16in.
Sold for: $5382,400 November 2006
HA.com/638*24014

This image:

GEORGE HENRY DURRIE
Winter in the Country, A Cold Morning, circa 1863
Oil on canvas
26 x 36 in.
Sold for: $448,125 (June 2009)
HA.com/5024*77012
WHY CONSIGN YOUR FINE ART COLLECTION TO HERITAGE?

You’ve spent years, even decades, putting your collection together and maybe the time has come to sell. Perhaps you’ve inherited some fine art as part of an estate. Whatever your situation, whatever your reason, you have one goal in mind: to realize the very best prices for each and every piece. Heritage, the world’s third largest auction house, can help you do that.
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Heritage knows that educating yourself is the most important step in the process of selecting your auctioneer and we want to make sure you know absolutely everything you need to in order to make an educated decision. Examine the advantages Heritage offers and you'll understand why we maintain that we can achieve the highest prices in the marketplace.

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WHAT SETS HERITAGE APART?

Consider these points when making your consignment decision:

THE MISSION OF HERITAGE AUCTION GALLERIES

The mission of Heritage Auction Galleries is to be the world’s most trusted and efficient marketplace and information resource serving owners of fine art, collectibles, and other precious objects.

Our knowledgeable staff, along with an impressive suite of auction tools, helps our customers assemble the best collections possible using unrivaled access to all of our services via our latest technological advancements – far and away the very best in the business – all of which enhances both their personal and financial well being.

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Heritage has presented more than 3,000 successful auctions, selling more than $3 billion on behalf of more than 45,000 consignors since 1976. More than 16,000 bidders have used our proprietary HERITAGE Live!™ online bidding platform, with more than 6,500 of them competing successfully for more than 46,000 lots valued in excess of $110 million between April 2007 and January 2010.

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Over the last several years, Heritage has enjoyed many strong prices realized for American fine art, such as $53,780 for California Impressionist Millard Sheets’ Cotton Pickers (a world record for a Sheets painting) and $448,125 for Winter in the Country, A Cold Morning (c. 1863), by George Henry Durrie. European pieces have also performed extremely well, such as the Riverside Farmstead (1858) by Mikhail Klodt selling for $1,314,500 and John William Godward’s Girl in Yellow Drapery (1901) for $233,025. We look forward to attaining similarly impressive results for your pieces.
EXPERT CATALOGING AND PRESENTATION

Heritage understands that presentation is a major key in generating demand. Our experts, the very best in decorative arts, describe each of your consigned items to maximize its appeal while maintaining strict standards for accuracy.

The award winning catalogs produced for each Signature® auction are second to none: Beautifully produced by professional graphic designers with full-color images of each lot done in detail by professional photographers. The result is a book that is both a gorgeous and collectible auction catalog, and a treasured reference work for students, scholars and collectors for years to come. Such an elaborate presentation will no doubt make you proud and ensure your legacy for generations to come.

JOHN WILLIAM GODWARD
Girl in Yellow Drapery, 1901
Oil on canvas, 12 x 24 inches
Sold for: $233,025 (December 2007)
HA.com/656-50333
WORLDWIDE MARKETING REACH

Heritage Fine Art auctions are events watched by the world. Previous auctions have generated national and international press coverage on most every major TV, radio, newspaper and Internet news outlet on the planet. Every year we spend millions of dollars marketing our consignor items to a worldwide audience.

Marketing campaigns begin with press releases to a variety of news organizations announcing important consignments and significant highlights, followed by full-page advertisements in Art & Antiques, ARTnews, Art + Auction, and Magazine Antiques to name a few. Updates and targeted releases are also regularly mailed, e-mailed and faxed directly to interested buyers.

Heritage boasts more than 600,000 collectors on our mailing list, more than 500,000 of which – in 181 countries worldwide – are registered bidder members on our website at HA.com. All of this exposure means more money for each and every piece you consign!

APPRAISAL SERVICES

Heritage has recently organized its appraisal services into a centralized department that will produce formal fair market value and retail replacement appraisals for estate tax, gift tax, financial planning, insurance, and charitable donation purposes. Working with our experts, you will receive thorough, illustrated appraisal reports written in compliance with all IRS, USPAP, and Insurance standards. Should you later decide to sell your property listed in a Heritage appraisal, all fees will be rebated in full or on a prorated basis against the seller’s commissions. Heritage employs the top talent in the appraisal business to give you the best possible information on the value of your collection.

MULTIPLE VENUES TO ACCOMMODATE YOUR ENTIRE COLLECTION

We realize that most collections include a variety of material, from the rare and valuable to the more common. For this reason, Heritage has established multiple selling venues, several with low lot minimums, so that we can likely handle the entirety of your consignment, rather than “cherry picking” the best material and leaving you with the rest, as many auction houses are wont to do.

Heritage’s Signature® auctions are for the most valuable material in your collection. These items are spotlighted in our full-color illustrated catalogs, sent to our best buyers. Signature® auctions consist of exciting live floor sessions in which bidders from all over the world compete for your treasures in person, over the phone and through HERITAGE Live!™

Some of your lesser-valued pieces may be featured in a non-floor session, in which bidders participate via mail, fax, Internet, and HERITAGE Live!™ By establishing different venues for different types of material, Heritage maximizes the price realized on every piece in your consignment.
PROFESSIONALISM

Heritage’s fine reputation is not a matter of chance. It reflects our relentless drive to always improve our services. Innovation is a Heritage trademark, seen in every element of our auction process from policy to technology. We combine this with a strong corporate ethic, uncompromising integrity, transparency and old-fashioned customer service. That’s why we are the world’s third largest auction house with more than $3 billion sold on behalf of more than 45,000 clients since 1976. What’s more, we’ve never missed a payment deadline to any of our consignors.

INTERNET AND TECHNOLOGY LEADERSHIP

Heritage is second to none when it comes to cutting-edge technological innovation. One of the first major auction houses to embrace the Internet, Heritage receives an average of more than 30,000 unique visitors each and every day on our website, which translates into more bidders for your material. HA.com receives significantly more traffic than Christies.com and Sothebys.com, combined (source: Compete.com).

In addition, Heritage maximizes the number of participants, and the amount they bid, through our exclusive Interactive Internet™ bidding system, which creates a virtual auction room prior to every live event. In the weeks leading up to the auction, bidders generate millions of dollars in successful bids from around the globe, pushing prices higher and higher prior to the live auction sessions. Our proprietary Interactive Internet™ software bidding system delivers worldwide bidder demand 24 hours every day for weeks before the floor sessions start, allowing thousands of Internet bidders to aggressively compete against motivated floor bidders for every item you consign.

The Heritage website offers an extensive set of tools for both buyers and sellers of decorative arts. The Auction Archives, a record of virtually every lot Heritage has sold over the last decade – more than 2.4 million lots across all our collectible categories, complete with full-color, enlargeable images, thorough catalog descriptions, and sales results – is one of the premier tools available exclusively to Heritage members. No other auction house offers this level of information to their clients. By accessing the archives, potential buyers can easily research pricing trends over several years, making them more confident bidders. More confident bidders equal higher prices.

In addition to the Auction Archives, Heritage also provides the ability for collectors to enter items they’re looking for into MyWantList. When an item you’ve consigned matches an item on a collector’s MyWantList, that collector is sent an email notification inviting them to bid on your piece. If that collector is outbid on a lot, they are sent an automatic notice inviting them to bid again. In this way, Heritage maximizes the results for all of your consigned items.

The newest development in Heritage’s technology suite is our live bidding platform, HERITAGELive!™ By logging in at HA.com/Live, interested bidders can follow the auction as it happens, via streaming audio and video, and even place their bids in real time, from anywhere in the world, directly against bidders on the auction floor. With its easy-to-use, intuitive interface, HERITAGELive!™ brings the auction to the bidder, thereby increasing the bids, and the final prices realized, on all your items. Best of all, there’s no additional Buyer’s Premium charged for using this exciting new service. HERITAGELive!™ really is the next best thing to being there!
AN OUTSTANDING AUCTION TEAM

Heritage employs industry leaders in all phases of our operations, from our Consignment Directors – your closest point of contact - who will help you through the entire auction process, to our highly skilled catalogers, talented photographers using state-of-the-art digital imagery, cutting-edge IT staff, award-winning Marketing department, and more, all working to ensure your items bring top dollar at auction. A worldwide firm, Heritage maintains offices across the United States and in several foreign countries, facilitating important international customer demand for your consignment, regardless of a bidder’s location.

MANAGEMENT STABILITY

Since conducting our first auction in 1976, Heritage has flourished under the continuous leadership of its executive team. You can enjoy the confidence that comes from knowing the commitment of our principals:

Todd Imhof – Executive Vice President, Greg Rohan – President, Paul Minshull – Chief Operating Officer, Jim Halperin – Co-Chairman, Steve Ivy – CEO, Co-Chairman.

UNQUESTIONED FINANCIAL STABILITY AND TIMELY PAYMENT

Nothing matters more than financial stability when your check is due, and Heritage delivers like no other.

Heritage enjoys $50 million in equity and owners' capital. With more than $600 million in annual sales, Heritage is an auction company you can count on; a firm with consistent, demonstrated leadership from the management team, and an unbroken record of timely payment to all consignors.

Assembling your collection over a period of many years – even decades – may have been a matter of passion for you, but when the time to sell arrives, you want to be compensated without delays or surprises. Under our management team, every single Heritage consignor – all 45,000+ – have been paid in full and on time. Heritage has never missed a settlement, not even by even a single day, since 1976.
DON’T TAKE OUR WORD FOR IT

The real measure of any business’s success is what their customers say about them. Here are just a few comments from past Heritage Fine Art clients:

"I spent 20 years gathering my collection and it was a great passion for me. The fact that [Heritage] gave it such respect, and honored it in its entirety, meant more to me than I can ever say"

— James Russo, New York, NY

“I was very pleased with the professionalism of your organization during my last two auction consignments. I look forward to our continued partnership. ”

— J.U., Holland, MI

“I wanted to do business with someone who was local but had the power of Sotheby’s or Christie’s. My experience with Heritage to-date has been fabulous, and I would strongly recommend them to anyone seriously thinking of consigning art.”

— M. Hoyle, Ft. Worth, TX

JASPER FRANCIS CROPSEY
Greenwood Lake, Autumn on the Hudson, 1875
Oil on canvas
18 x 30 in.
Sold for: $215,100 (November 2009)
HA.com/5030*66047

HARRY LEITH-ROSS
The Sleigh
Oil on canvas
24 x 30 in.
Sold for: $101,575 (May 2010)
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To discuss consigning your decorative arts to an upcoming auction in greater detail, please contact us today. We look forward to working with you.

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Cherokee Roses on a Purple Cloth, 1894
Oil on canvas
10-1/8 x 18-1/8 in.
Sold for: $507,875 (June 2009)
HA.com/5024*77011

MIKHAIL KLODТ
Riverside Farmstead, 1858 (detail)
Oil on canvas
41-3/4 x 60-1/2 in.
Sold for: $1,314,500 (June 2008)
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