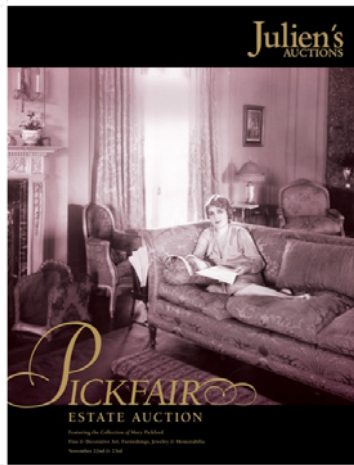


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Pickfair Estate Auction: Featuring the Collection of Mary Pickford;
Fine & Decorative Art, Furnishings, Jewelry & Memorabilia
November 22nd & 23rd at The Beverly Hilton in Beverly Hills, California



LOS ANGELES, CA - Antiques, fine and decorative art, furniture, and memorabilia will be among the wide selection of stylish offerings from the estate of Mary Pickford in a sale to be held by Julien's Auctions at the Beverly Hilton Hotel in Beverly Hills, California on November 22 and 23, 2008.

Mary Pickford, "America's Sweetheart" during the golden age of silent film, and in addition to her illustrious cinematic career, her achievements in the Hollywood movie industry include co-founding United Artists film studio, co-founding the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, and being the first actress to leave her hand and footprints at Grauman's Chinese Theater in Hollywood. Together with Douglas Fairbanks she became "Hollywood Royalty" and during their marriage they created Pickfair, the legendary Beverly Hills mansion that hosted dignitaries, foreign heads of state and all the major celebrities of the day. Mary Pickford was married for over four decades to her third husband Buddy Rogers, a talented jazz musician and actor who starred in *Wings*, the first ever film honored with an Academy Award for "Best Picture".

"We are proud to bring to auction the stylish Pickfair collection owned by movie pioneer Mary Pickford, the true darling of Hollywood and founding member of the Academy", said Martin Nolan Executive Director of Julien's Auctions.

The Pickfair sale features many furnishings that can be seen in vintage Hollywood press releases and magazine pictorials in publications such as *Architectural Digest*, *House and Garden*, and the *Los Angeles Times*. Some of the fabled and exotic items coming to the block

include a partial Capo Di Monte Napoleon à Josephine dinnerware service (est. \$8,000-\$10,000), a pair of fine Chinese carved rhinoceros tusks (est. \$6,000-\$8,000), a Continental silver, gold, enameled and garnet encrusted small coffer which was a gift to Mary Pickford from Grand Duchess Maria of Russia (est. \$3,000-\$4,000), a Thai damascene silver lotus form covered urn which was a gift to Mary Pickford from the King of Siam (est. \$1,000-2,000), and a pair of Adam style paint decorated armchairs (est. \$1,500-\$2,500).



Highlighting fine art selections in the sale are two oil on canvas still life paintings by Paul de Longpré (est. \$20,000-\$30,000 each), a Philip Mercier painting of children in a pastoral setting (est. \$25,000-\$35,000) and a landscape attributed to Asher Durand (est. \$15,000-\$25,000).

“Mary Pickford had a wide range of collecting interests, from Asian decorative arts to Staffordshire figurines to books on spirituality, and all of them are well represented in the sale. She obviously loved entertaining guests for dinner in great style at Pickfair, as evidenced by her many fine table centerpieces and sets of china, silver and crystal,” says Rebecca Markman, Independent Antique Expert for Julien’s Auctions.

Still Life Painting by Paul de Longpré
(Est. \$20,000-\$30,000)



Among the many personal effects to be sold are two handmade leather bound Pickfair guest books signed by dignitaries and guests between the years of 1926-1962 (est. \$8,000-\$10,000), a set of Moser gilt and acid etched vanity containers (est. \$1,000-\$2,000), and a 14k yellow gold compact by Cartier (est. \$1,200-\$1,800).

Pickfair Signed Guest Books 1926 – 1962
(Est. \$8,000/10,000)



Pickford jewelry featured in this sale include a 14k yellow gold five charm bracelet with personal engraved messages from Buddy Rogers to Mary Pickford, (est. \$1,500-\$2,000), a platinum, yellow gold and white diamond ring (est. \$800-\$1,200), and a 14k yellow gold and diamond covered Moviga wristwatch (est. \$800-\$1,200).

This auction will present a special opportunity for collectors to purchase property once belonging to America’s Sweetheart from Hollywood’s Golden Age.

Mary Pickford’s 14k Yellow Gold
Five Charm Bracelet (Est. \$1,500 - \$2,000)

Public Exhibition

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