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Old Dogs Learn Midcentury Tricks at Clarke Auctions

Monday April 7 Auction features Collection of 19th C. Dog Paintings, Garden pieces such as 19th C. JW Fiske Fountain, French Bronzes, 20+ Chandeliers, Decorator Collection from Franklin Lakes estate, and Midcentury Modern from John Dickinson, Robesjohn-Gibbings, Milo Baughman, Parzinger, Gillon...

/24-7PressRelease/ - LARCHMONT, NY, April 03, 2008 - On Monday April 7, Clarke's Spring Auction will offer 400+ lots of the unique, decorative, antique and midcentury design.

Spring brings a massive 19th Century **J.W. Fiske fountain urn** with life-sized putti, a pair of period cast-iron eagles on plinths, a lawn jockey, and a 19th C. carousel horse.

A **Franklin Lakes estate** provided a 9' by 10' custom china cabinet, a Yellow Venetian sofa, a period demilune chest, a Murano chandelier, green and gilt doors, a palace-sized Aubusson carpet and other antique and highly decorative pieces. From a Scarsdale estate, a collection of **charming 19th C. dog paintings**, 60+ pieces of **19th C. pink opaline glass**, a pair of gilt and gesso sphinx, a pair of period polychrome carved figures, a 19th C. Gilt Mirror with sconces, a Black Forest bear with glass eyes, a collection of horn trophies, a large possibly Staffordshire 19th C. polychrome bust of a lady and other antique and decorative items.

Another highlight is a **large 19th Century oil painting titled "The Trainer"** featuring 10 assorted dogs, a pair of monkeys and a camel as part of a traveling menagerie.

Period French bronzes include works from Trouville, Fremiet, Rancoulet, Suchetet, Causse, Coudray, DeMaret and others.

Other fine art includes works of or attributed to JF Bouchor, Wiboo Hartman, FD Harnack, Edwin Scott, Bien Aime Sylvain, Peter DeWint, 19th C. Italian gouaches of Pompei, Thomas Kerry, Sue Isadora, Langella, a large midcentury mixed media piece signed H Lerner and a signed Feliciano Bejar optical sculpture dated 2002.

Finally, **Midcentury Modern, a Clarke speciality**, includes works by or attributed to James Mont, John Dickinson, Parzinger, Paul Evans, Jean Gillon, Milo Baughman, Beacon Hill, Harvey Propper, Springer, Knoll, Cassina, John Stuart and others.

Owner Ron Clarke comments "it's rare indeed when an auctioneer can boast of the dogs in his auction, but we not only have the great dog paintings, we have a wonderful mix of design, the decorative, and the antique in this Spring sale."

Previews available Saturday-Sunday April 5-6, noon to 6:00 pm and day-of-sale, Monday April 7 from 2:00 pm to auction start.

Clarke's catalogue is available online at [www.ccauctiongallery](http://www.ccauctiongallery.com).

Clarke Auction Gallery, Westchester's Premier Auction Gallery, conducts catalogued sales monthly featuring distinctive fine and decorative arts, antiques, exceptional furniture, oriental rugs, sterling silver and mid-century modern. For further information, please contact us at (914)833-8336 or ccauctiongallery@aol.com