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Fine Chinese Ceramics, Jades and Works of Art &
The Meriem Collection : Important Chinese Snuff Bottles

New York – September 19, 2007

Sale no: 1788 & 1934 – Top Ten

Sold:	\$17,298,788	£8,606,362	€12,445,171
Lots Sold: 372	Lots Offered: 533	Sold by Lot: 70%	Sold by \$: 78%
Exchange Rate: £ = \$2.01 / € = \$1.39			

Lot	Description	Estimate (\$)	Purchase Price	Buyer
188	A rare and important finely cast gilt-bronze figure of Acuoye Guanyin, Dali Kingdom, Yunnan Province, 12 th C	\$400,000-600,000	\$1,945,000 £967,662 €1,399,281	European Institution
391	A fine and rare underglaze-red and blue-decorated “apple form” water pot, Kangxi Period (1662-1722)	\$100,000-150,000	\$769,000 £382,587 €553,237	Asian Trade
640	A superb and very rare Beijing enamel snuff bottle, Kangxi Yuzhi Period (1715-1722)	\$400,000-600,000	\$657,000 £326,866 €472,662	Asian Trade
81	A very rare imperial Celadon jade book of the sixteen Luohan, Qianlong Period (1736-1795)	\$200,000-300,000	\$541,000 £269,154 €389,209	Asian Trade
617	A fine and very rare enameled gold-ground white glass snuff bottle, Qianlong Period (1740-1795)	\$120,000-150,000	\$313,000 £155,721 €225,180	American Trade
633	A superb inscribed Beijing enamel snuff bottle, Qianlong Period (1736-1760)	\$200,000-250,000	\$301,000 £149,751 €216,547	Asian Private
217	A rare and fine gilt-bronze figure of a bear, Western Han Dynasty (206 BC-AD 8)	\$30,000-40,000	\$265,000 £131,841 €190,647	American Trade
84	A rare finely carved white jade marriage bowl, 18 th C	\$180,000-220,000	\$253,000 £125,871 €182,014	American Private
114	The Bishop Collection : Investigations and Studies in Jade, edited by George F. Kunz, 1906	\$60,000-70,000	\$241,000 £119,901 €173,381	American Trade
68	A rare large grayish-green and brown jade figure of recumbent water buffalo, Ming dynasty (1368-1644)	\$200,000-300,000	\$241,000 £119,901 €173,381	Anonymous

Theow Tow, Deputy Chairman, Tina Zonars, Head of the Chinese Art department:

“Today’s sale of *Fine Chinese Ceramics, Jades and Works of Art* totaled \$13.3 million, the second highest total ever for a single sale of Chinese Art at Christie’s. The auction was particularly strong in the traditional collecting areas including jades, sculpture, ceramics and scholar’s objects which all performed exceedingly well. The response was vigorous, focused and confident and originated from the established collector’s community as well as new collectors who have discovered the universal and timeless attraction of these works and their invaluable place within the history of Chinese art. The superb 12th century gilt-bronze figure of acuoye guanyin became the centerpiece of the sale at \$1,945,000. *The Meriem Collection: Important Chinese Snuff Bottles* achieved \$3,988,050. Today’s results certainly bode well for the Chinese Art sales in Hong Kong at the end of November, including *Important Chinese Jades From The Personal Collection of Alan And Simone Hartman Part II* on November 27.”

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Date and Location of Next Sale	New York, March 2008