

CHRISTIE'S

Fine Musical Instruments

New York – Friday, October 12, 2007

Sale no: 1889 – Top Ten

Sold:	\$3,006,775	£6,103,753	€4,269,621
Lots Sold: 165	Lots Offered: 249	Sold by Lot: 66%	Sold by \$:86%
Exchange Rate: \$ = £2.03 / € 1.42			

Lot	Description	Estimate (\$)	Purchase Price	Buyer
252	A violin, Giuseppe Guarneri 'del Gesu', Cremona, Circa 1720	550,000-750,000	\$ 937,000 £ 461,576 € 659,859	Anonymous
44	A classical guitar, Antonio de Torres, Seville, 1864 WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR THE MAKER	100,000-150,000	\$ 157,000 £ 77,340 € 110,563	American Private
250	A violin, Carlo Antonio Testore, Milan, Circa 1763 WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR THE MAKER	40,000-60,000	\$ 127,000 £ 62,562 € 89,437	European Private
245	A violin, Andrea Guarneri, Cremona, Circa 1690	60,000-80,000	\$ 121,000 £ 59,606 € 85,211	European Trade
251	A violin, Enrico Ceriti, Cremona, Mid 19 th Century WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR THE MAKER	60,000 - 80,000	\$ 109,000 £ 53,694 € 76,761	Anonymous
14	A solid-body electric guitar, Gibson Incorporated, Les Paul Custom, Kalamazoo, 1959 WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR THE MAKER	60,000-80,000	\$ 85,000 £ 41,872 € 59,859	American Private
244	A composite violin, Ascribed To Giuseppe Guarneri 'Del Gesu', Italy	40,000-60,000	\$ 79,000 £ 38,916 € 55,633	American Trade
153	Avioloncello, Alfredo Contino, Naples, 1919 WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR THE MAKER	30,000-40,000	\$ 67,000 £ 33,005 € 47,183	American Trade
1	A solid-body electric guitar, Fender Electric Instrument Company, 'Nocaster,' Fullerton, 1951 WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR THE MAKER	30,000-50,000	\$ 61,000 £ 30,049 € 42,957	American Trade
143	A viola, Marino Capicchioni, Rimini, 1951 WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR THE MAKER	30,000-40,000	\$ 55,000 £ 27,093 € 38,732	European Private

Comment: Kerry Keane, International Head of Department: We are delighted with the results of today's sale which set 10 world auction records, and we are excited to report that the buyer of the Testore violin will be lending it to a concert violinist. The sale offered an extraordinary opportunity to be able to offer a work by Torres, the undoubted master of classical guitar making, alongside a work by Guarneri 'del Gesu,' who along with Stradivarius, are the two masters in the Italian school of violin making.

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Next Sale Date: The next Musical Instruments sale will be held on April 4, 2008.