

# CHRISTIE'S

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## OUT OF THE ORDINARY

### CHRISTIE'S OUT OF THE ORDINARY 2014 SALE FEATURES RARE AND EXTRAORDINARY WORKS OF ART AND OBJECTS CELEBRATING ALL THINGS UNUSUAL

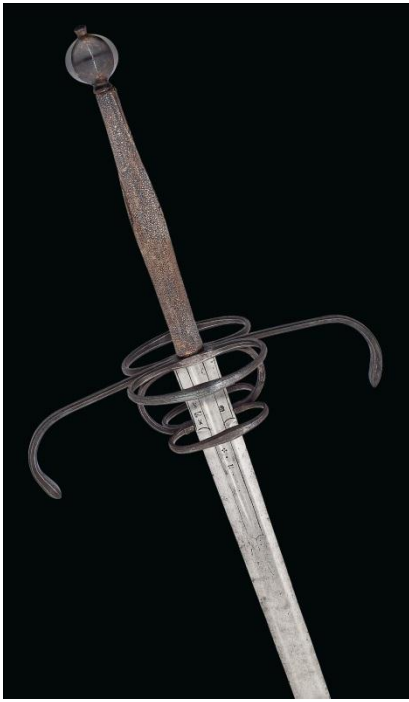
EARLY HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE AN OAK CAPTURE CHAIR,  
A BAYONET CHANDELIER AND A LARGE GERMAN TWO HAND SWORD  
EXTENDED PUBLIC EXHIBITION FROM 4 AUGUST TO 3 SEPTEMBER 2014



**South Kensington, London** - Christie's second annual *Out of the Ordinary* sale will be held on 3 September 2014 and will once again feature an eclectic selection of fascinating items celebrating the joy of the unconventional. Following the success of *Out of the Ordinary* 2013 the sale will be on extended public exhibition displaying the intriguing items for five weeks from 4 August until the auction on 3 September. The exhibition will offer inspiration to those with a range of interests and will appeal to new and established collectors. *Out of the Ordinary* will comprise over 160 lots ranging from £500 to £120,000 and will entice collectors with all budgets.

Amongst the selection of extraordinary items is a rare oak Capture Chair with leg locking devices (estimate: £25,000 – 35,000, *illustrated left*). This chair, which bears the inscription "Welcome to my Friends," can trap anyone who sits in it with the metal leg locking bars hidden inside the chair. The captive can then only be released by the mechanism at the rear of the chair being triggered.

Also on offer is a fine Victorian German 'Maximilian' armour in the 16<sup>th</sup>-century style (estimate: £25,000-30,000, *illustrated page 2 far right*) which features a full face on the helmet, an unusually large German two hand sword with running wolf mark, which dates to the 16<sup>th</sup> century & later (estimate: £3,000 – 5,000, *illustrated page 2 far left*) and A Napoleon III bayonet chandelier (estimate: £6,000 – 8,000).



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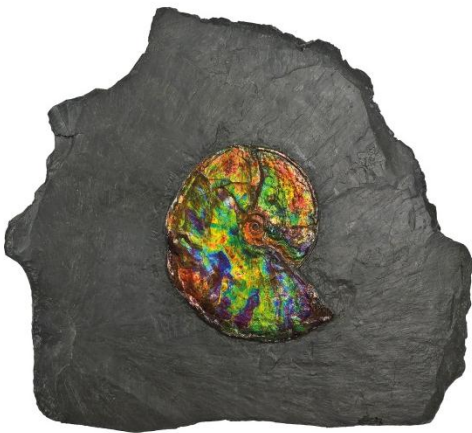


Achille L. Mauzan (1883-1952)  
UNTISAL CONTRA REUMA  
Estimate: £1,000 – 1,500



A fine Victorian German 'maximilian' armour in the 16<sup>th</sup>-century style  
Estimate: £25,000-30,000

## HIGHLIGHTS



A CANDIAN AMMONITE  
*Placenticerias costatum*  
Circa 70 Million Years  
Estimate: £50,000- £80,000



A THREE-ROTOR ENIGMA CIPHER  
MACHINE, *circa* 1939  
Estimate: £40,000 – 60,000



THREE DANISH GLASS MODELS OF  
JELLYFISH IN TUBES  
2009, BY STEFFEN DAM (b.1961)  
Estimate: £8,000-12,000

**Public Exhibition:**

Monday 4 August – Wednesday 3  
September 2014

**Auction:**

*Out of the Ordinary*  
Wednesday 3 September 2014  
**2:00pm**

**Christie's South Kensington**

Open seven days a week, Christie's South Kensington is one of the busiest salerooms in the UK attracting over 200,000 visitors each year. With over 100 sales and offering more than 20,000 lots annually, estimates start from under £1,000. Interiors sales dedicated to home furnishings are held three times a month alongside regular Sunday sales of single-owner collections. Specialised sales for the avid collector are scheduled throughout the year according to category, and include Popular Culture Memorabilia, Vintage Couture, Islamic Art, Jewellery, 20<sup>th</sup> Century British Art and Chinese Works of Art, amongst others. In 2012 Christie's South Kensington realised the highest ever total for the third consecutive year with sales of £139.4 million / \$223.1 million having welcomed a 10% growth in registered bidders and a 20% increase (£ / \$) in total sales.

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*\*Estimates do not include buyer's premium. Sales totals are hammer price plus buyer's premium and do not reflect costs, financing fees or application of buyer's or seller's credits.*

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