

Estate jewelry, fine art, antiques and Asian objects will come up for bid Oct. 30th at A.B. Levy's in Palm Beach, Fla.

An oil on canvas painting by Charles J. F. Soulacroix (Fr., 1825-1879) and a pair of French dueling pistols from around 1840 will be part of the 300-lot sale.

PALM BEACH, FLORIDA, UNITED STATES, October 23, 2017 /EINPresswire.com/ -- PALM BEACH, Fla. – An elegant oil on canvas figural rendering by the French painter Charles J. F. <u>Soulacroix</u> (1825-1879), an exceptional pair of cased <u>French dueling pistols</u> from around 1840 and a Hermes shiny crocodile Birkin women's handbag are three expected top lots at A. B. Levy's 300-lot Jewelry, Art, Antiques & Asian Works of Art Auction set for Monday, Oct. 30th.

The sale will be held in A. B. Levy's gallery, located at 211 Worth Avenue in Palm Beach, starting at 2 pm Eastern. Exactly 300 lots will come up for bid, featuring property from Palm Beach estates. The list of artists and styles is extensive, and the entire catalog can be viewed on A. B. Levy's website (www.ablevys.com) or the online bidding platform LiveAuctioneers.com.

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Elegant oil on canvas figural rendering by Charles J.F. Soulacroix (Fr., 1825-1879).

"This sale's got it all – jewelry, fine art, sculpture, Tiffany, modern art, art glass, Sevres, Chinese jade and porcelain and more. It is a great opportunity to find the perfect gift from a Palm Beach estate for that perfect someone."

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"I can't remember the last time we had an auction that featured so much quality merchandise in so many different categories." " *Albert Levy* Soulacroix's fascination with the elegance of Parisian high life is brilliantly captured in his highly detailed painting titled Enchantee (est. \$50,000-\$80,000). The 39 ½ inch by 46 ½ inch work (framed) is a classic Soulacroix depiction of the upper class at leisure, all dressed in lavish silks and satins, creating an image of social serenity. The painting is the sale's expected top lot.

What lady wouldn't want a wonderful Hermes bag as a gift? This auction's got several, including the aforementioned shiny crocodile Birkin bag (est. \$25,000-\$35,000). It's in pristine shape and comes with the Hermes box, dustbag and clochette. Another fine choice might be the shiny red Hermes alligator Sellier Kelly bag, with gold tone hardware. It's estimated at \$20,000-\$30,000.

The pair of cased French dueling pistols are by the famous gunsmith Le Faucheux of Paris. Each gun has a 10 ½ inch octagonal barrel and features beautifully engraved locks, trigger guards and butt caps. All the accessories are original, to include a powder box, cap box, oil bottle and more. Everything is housed in a beautiful mahogany case. The lot is expected to hit \$25,000-\$35,000.

Fine estate jewelry is a hallmark of A. B. Levy's auctions. This sale will showcase a platinum and diamond size 7 ring, set with an oval sapphire of Burmese origin weighing more than five carats (est. \$22,000-\$30,000); and a pair of 18kt gold extra-large Atlas hoop ear clips by Tiffany & Co., with Roman numeral design and collapsible posts with omega backs (est. \$800-\$1,200).

Watches will feature a Patek Philippe & Co. (Geneva) yellow gold men's watch (ref. 1596), with manual winding nickel lever jeweled movement, signed, and signed case and dial (est. \$12,000-\$18,000); and a Cartier 18kt gold and diamond 'Baignoire Allongee' ladies' watch, with an oval-shaped dial with Arabic numerals, beautifully framed by round diamonds (est. \$8,000-\$12,000).

Turning to furniture, a George III-style inlaid mahogany two-pedestal dining table with two 22-inch extension leaves that extend the table to a total length of 124 inches, has a pre-sale estimate of \$2,000-\$4,000. It would look splendid on or near the Turkish hand-woven silk



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Hermes shiny crocodile Birkin women's handbag, in pristine condition.

Hereke rug, made in the 20th century and measuring 24 inches by 18 ½ inches, estimated at \$1,500-\$3,000.

Returning to fine art, an oil on canvas painting by the Italian landscape and figure painter Nicola Simbari (1927-2012), titled Near Amalfi (1965) signed lower right and measuring 38 ³/₄ inches by 48 ¹/₂ inches in the frame, should command \$4,000-\$7,000; while an oil on canvas painting by Bernard Lamotte (Fr., 1903-1983), one of several Lamottes in the sale, should fetch \$400-\$700.

An important Louis XVI Sevres bleu turquoise porcelain cup (two-handled beaker form) and a large saucer, with reserves exquisitely painted with game birds in their habitats, has an estimate of \$8,000-\$12,000; and a large pair of Lalique clear and frosted crystal sconces, titled Heliconia, 17 inches in height and made in France in the 20th century, are expected to fetch \$2,000-\$3,000.

A third quarter 19th century Louis XVstyle gilt bronze figural mantle clock, surmounted by young tritons and supported by seated nymphs on a pierced foliate-scrolled base, is expected to change hands for \$3,000-\$5,000. Meanwhile, a pair of North Italian giltwood mirrors, made in either Piedmont or Venice, 50 inches tall by 23 ½ inches wide, is estimated at \$2,000-\$3,000.

A buyer's premium of 20 percent will be applied to purchases up to \$100,000, 15 percent after that. Previews will be held daily, leading up to auction day, from 10-6, at A. B. Levy's gallery. There will be no preview on auction day, Oct. 30th, but doors will open at 10 am Eastern time.

A. B. Levy's is actively accepting quality consignments for future auctions. To consign a single piece, an estate or an entire collection, you may call them at (561) 835-9139; or, you can send them an e-mail at info@ablevys.com. To learn more about A.B. Levy's and the Monday, October 30th auction, log on to <u>www.ablevys.com</u>. Updates are posted often and the full catalog is online.



Exceptional pair of cased French dueling pistols from around 1840, by Le Facheux of Paris.



Patek Philippe & Co. (Geneva) yellow gold men's wristwatch with jeweled movement.

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