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In this auction we offer 75 high quality and rare objects of ancient art from various Mediterranean cultures beside 20 objects from the precolumbian cultures and 5 lots of books and magazines on archeology. The ancient cultures represented are Egypt, Middle East, Phoenicia, Greece, Etruria, Italy, Rome, Celts and Bronze Age. And for the Pre-Columbian objects, the following cultures are represented: Chavin, Colima, Corra, Aztec, Nariño, Vera Cruz and Mixteque. Most of the objects once came from renowned Swiss private collections as well as from European private collections such as Saieva, W. Rosenbaum, Carlo Monzino, Herbert A. Cahn, Christoph Grand, A. Geissmann, Hans Dahn, Arno Jumperz, Max Hagemann, Richard + Molly Alexander, M. Tritten and the Bonsera family. Many of the objects were once acquired in world-renowned galleries, including Royal Athena, New York; Luz Garrido, Bogota; Galeria Metropolitana, Quito; Galeria Serodine, Ascona; Jean-David Cahn, Basel and Vitalis and Kazarossian, Athens.

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ANCIENT ART

(LOT 01 – 75)

01

Ancient Etruscan Plate (Misfired With Bubbles)

Etruria, 7. Century B.C. / Painted Ceramic / D = 20.4 cm
(4 1/4 inches)

Misfired etruscan ceramic plate with bubbles. Repaired, and restored (3-4 %).

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2019 from the art market Basel.

Before that in Swiss private collection, Basel Area.

Est.: 120 – 200 CHF / Start: No reserve



02

Ancient Teano-Ware Cup

Magna Graecia, 330-300 B.C. / Black Glazed Ceramic / D = 7.4 cm (3 inches)

Teano-Ware cup with beautiful glaze and stamped decoration. Intact with small chipping of the glaze.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Tritten, Binningen.

Purchased before 2012 at the swiss art market Basel.

Before that in Swiss private collection, Basel Area.

Est.: 400 – 600 CHF / Start: 200 CHF



03

Ancient Greek Oinochoe

Athens, around 400 B.C. / Black Glazed Ceramic / H = 11 cm (4 1/4 inches)

Attic black glazed Oinochoe. Intact with no damage at all.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel-Landschaft.

Before that in Swiss private collection, of Carlo Righetti, Bern.

Est.: 250 – 350 CHF / Start: 160 CHF



04

Ancient Campanian Cup

Campania, 3.-4. Century B.C. / Black Glazed Ceramic / W = 12 cm ; D = 9.4 cm (4 3/4 ; 3 3/4 inches)

Campanian black glazed ceramic cup with one handle. Small chip at the rim restored, otherwise intact.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Geissmann, Basel.

Received as a gift in 2009.

Est.: 150 – 250 CHF / Start: 100 CHF



05

Ancient Attic Ceramic Plate With Stamp Decoration

Athens, 400-375 B.C. / Black Glazed Ceramic / D = 12.5 cm (4 59/64 inches)

Teano-Ware cup with beautiful glaze and stamped decoration. Intact with small chipping of the glaze.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased 2020 from Jean-David Cahn, Basel.

Before that in private collection, W. Levy (1916-2006).
(With the original certificate from the Gallery Cahn, Basel.)

Est.: 400 – 600 CHF / Start: 300 CHF



06

Ancient Apulian Olpe

Apulia, 330-300 B.C. / Black Glazed Ceramic / H = 12 cm (4 3/4 inches)

Apulian black glazed ceramic olpe. Intact, slightly worn.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel-Landschaft.

Before that in Swiss private collection, of Carlo Righetti, Bern.

Est.: 300 – 500 CHF / Start: 200 CHF



07

Ancient Apulian Oinochoe Of The Xenon Group

Apulia, 350-300 B.C. / Xenon Ware Ceramic / H = 18.8 cm (7 1/2 inches)

Apulian Xenon Oinochoe. Intact, with some small chips.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel-Landschaft.

Before that in German private collection.

(With copy of the German export licence.)

Est.: 500 – 600 CHF / Start: 240 CHF



08

Ancient Messapian Bell Crater

Magna Graecia, 4. Century B.C. / Painted Ceramic / H = 22 ; D = 22 cm (8 5/8 inches)

Messapian Crater with painted decor. Intact, slightly worn.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel-Landschaft.

Before that in German private collection.

(With copy of the German export licence.)

Est.: 800 – 1'000 CHF / Start: 500 CHF



09

Ancient Euboean Ceramic Shoulder Lekythos With MERMAID

Euboea, around 550 B.C. / Black-Figure Ceramic / H = 19.1 cm (7 1/2 inches)

Shoulder lekythos the dolphin group. Handle reattached, otherwise intact.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel-Landschaft.

Before that in Swiss private collection Zürich.

Purchased in Athens 18.05.1982 at P. Vitalis and E. Kazarossian.

(With old fotos and certificate from the Gallery)

Est.: 3'000 – 4'000 CHF / Start: 1'600 CHF



10

Ancient Corinthian Aryballos With Siren

Corinth, 570-550 B.C. / Black-Figure Ceramic / H = 11.5 cm (4 1/2 inches)

Corinthian aryballos depicting a siren with outstretched wings. Intact.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel-Landschaft.

Before that in French private collection in 2nd generation of Admiral M. T. (1934-1993)

Est.: 3'000 – 4'000 CHF / Start: 1'600 CHF



11

Ancient Pontic Chalice

Etruria, 6. Century B.C. / Pontic Ceramic / H = 12 cm (4 3/4 inches)

Etruscan Pontic chalice with red figure birds. Repaired, small fragment restored.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2021 at the antique fair in Bern.

Est.: 2'500 – 3'000 CHF / Start: 1'200 CHF



12

Ancient Apulian Handled Dish

Magna Graecia, 350-300 B.C. / Red-Figure Ceramic /
W = 37.5 cm ; H = 12.5 cm (14 3/4 ; 5 inches)

Apulian handled dish with red figure painting. Small fragment at the rim restored.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2019 from the art market Basel.

Before that in the collection of Herbert A. Cahn (1915-2002), Münzen und Medaillen AG, Basel.

Before that in private collection of Hans Kürsteiner, Zug 1950-60's.

Est.: 2'500 – 3'500 CHF / Start: 1'200 CHF



13

Ancient Greek Tarantine Terracotta Symposiast

Magna Graecia, 350-300 B.C. / Red-Figure Ceramic /
H = 20 cm (7 7/8 inches)

Greek tarantine terracotta symposiast. Fragment.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2020 from Jean-David Cahn, Basel.

Before that in the Swiss private collection of the publisher Max Hagemann, Basel vor 1964.

(With certificate from the Gallery Cahn)

Est.: 2'000 – 3'000 CHF / Start: 1'200 CHF



14

Ancient Greek Terracotta Bird

Magna Graecia, 5.-4. Century B.C. / Terracotta / L =
9.5 cm (3 3/4 inches)

Greek terracotta bird. Intact.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Tritten, Basel-Landschaft.

Purchased in 2019 on the art market Basel.

Before that at Drouot with Gallery Cahn 2015.

Est.: 300 – 400 CHF / Start: 160 CHF



15

Ancient Roman Terracotta Bird

Roman Empire, 1.-3. Century A.D. / Terracotta / L = 7.5 cm (3 inches)

Roman terracotta bird. Beak missing.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Tritten, Basel-Landschaft.

Purchased around 2014 on the art market Basel.

Est.: 200 – 300 CHF / Start: 160 CHF



16

Lot Of 2 Roman Terra-Sigillata Shards With Boar

Roman Empire ; Gaul, 2. Century A.D. / Terra-Sigillata / L = 11.2 ; 5.5 cm (4 24/64 ; 2 1/8 inches)

Lot of 2 terra-sigillata shards each depicting a wild boar in action. Fragments.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Tritten, Basel-Landschaft.

Purchased around 2014 on the art market Basel.

Est.: 200 – 300 CHF / Start: No reserve



17

Ancient Corinthian Terracotta Vessel In The Shape Of A Deer

Corinth, 5. Century B.C. / Clay / L = 10.2 cm (4 inches)

Corinthian terracotta vessel in the shape of a deer. Head missing.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased at the German art market Munich in 2020.

Before that in German private collection.

Est.: 800 – 1'200 CHF / Start: 500 CHF



18

Ancient Greek Aryballos In The Shape Of A Ram

Magna Graecia, 5. Century B.C. / Terracotta / L = 11.3 cm (4 7/16 inches)

Greek terracotta aryballos in the shape of a ram. Repaired from fragments, complete.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased at the Swiss art market Zürich in 2020.

Before that in Swiss private collection.

Est.: 600 – 900 CHF / Start: 400 CHF



19

Greek Pseudo Vessel In The Shape Of River God Acheloos

Magna Graecia, 5. Century B.C. / Terracotta / H = 18.2 cm (7 1/8 inches)

Pseudo vessel in the shape of the river god Acheloos. Probably from Sicily or South Italy. Worn, otherwise intact.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased from Jean-David Cahn in 2020.

Before that in the collection of Herbert A. Cahn, Basel 1990's.

Est.: 5'000 – 7'000 CHF / Start: 3'200 CHF



20

Roman Navigius Beaker With Inscription : EX.OFICI, ΙΛΖΙΛ(ΞΙ)?

Roman Empire ; North Africa, 270-320 A.D. / Terra-Sigillata / H = 16.1 cm (6 3/8 inches)

Roman Navigius Beaker with inscription from the maker : EX.OFICI, ΙΛΖΙΛ(ΞΙ) ? Very nice condition.

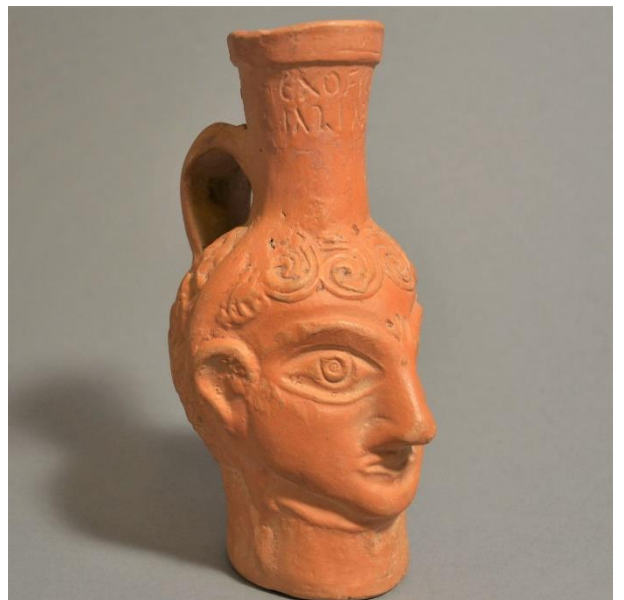
Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased at the Swiss art market Basel in 2019.

Before that in Swiss private collection.

Est.: 2'500 – 3'500 CHF / Start: 1'200 CHF



21

Ancient Roman Ceramic Bottle In The Shape Of A Nubian

Roman Empire ; North Africa, 3.-4. Century A.D. / Clay / H = 11 cm (4 11/32 inches)

Roman ceramic bottle in the shape of a nubian. Very good condition.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased from the Chait Gallery in LA, USA in 2019.

Before that once at Royal Athena Gallery New-York.

Est.: 2'000 – 3'000 CHF / Start: 1'000 CHF



22

Ancient Roman Beaker With Gravel On The Surface

Roman Empire, 2nd Century A.D. / Glazed ceramic with Gravel / D = 11.3 cm (4 7/16 inches)

Greek terracotta aryballos in the shape of a ram. Repaired from fragments, complete.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Geissmann, Basel.

Received as a gift in 2009.

Est.: 500 – 700 CHF / Start: 320 CHF



23

Ancient Roman Terracotta Lamp With Gladiator (Retiarius)

Roman Empire, 225-250 A.D. / Terracotta / L = 11.4 cm (4 1/2 inches)

Roman terracotta oil lamp. Loeschcke form VIII b. Depicting a Retiarius on the discus. On the base three evenly spaced ovo patterns, in the center three lorberes. Very good condition.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel-Landschaft.

Before that in Swiss private collection of Mrs. Barbara Keiser.

Purchased in 1990-2000 from the art market Zürich.

Est.: 2'000 – 3'000 CHF / Start: 1'200 CHF



24

Ancient Roman Terracotta Oil Lamp With Billy Goat

Roman Empire, 1st-2nd Century A.D. / Terracotta / L = 11.3 cm (4 7/16 inches)

Roman terracotta oil lamp. Depicting a billy goat on the discus. On the base inscription : L.M.ADI. Very good condition.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection R. Bonsera, Basel.

Purchased in 1990-2000 from the art market Basel in 2011.

Before that in German private collection Saarland.

Est.: 400 – 600 CHF / Start: 320 CHF



25

Ancient Roman Marble Head From A Herm

Roman Empire, 1st-2nd Century A.D. / Marble / H = 11.3 cm (4 7/16 inches)

Roman marble head of a herm. Fragment in nice condition.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased from the Monegasque art market Monte Carlo in 2020.

Before that in French private collection.

Purchased in the 1950's-1960's.

Est.: 2'500 – 4'000 CHF / Start: 1'200 CHF



26

Ancient Roman Basalt Head Of Sol Invictus

Roman Empire, 2nd Century A.D. / Basalt / H = 14 cm (5 1/2 inches)

Roman basalt stone head of the sun god Sol Invictus. Nose and rays broken, heavily worn.

Provenance:

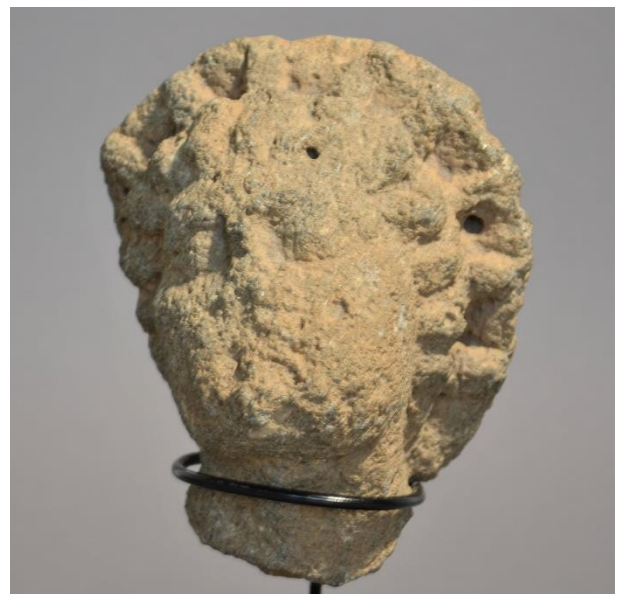
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Purchased from the Dutch art market in 2020.

Before that in Dutch private collection Joro.

Purchased from the Prehistoric Museum Eifel in 2018.

Est.: 1'000 – 1'500 CHF / Start: 500 CHF



27

**Ancient Roman Basalt Medusa Head
Fragment Of A Colossal Athena Statuette**

Roman Empire, 1st – 3rd Century A.D. / Basalt / H = 15 cm (6 inches)

Roman basalt head of Medusa from the shield boss of a colossal statuette of Athena. Fragment.

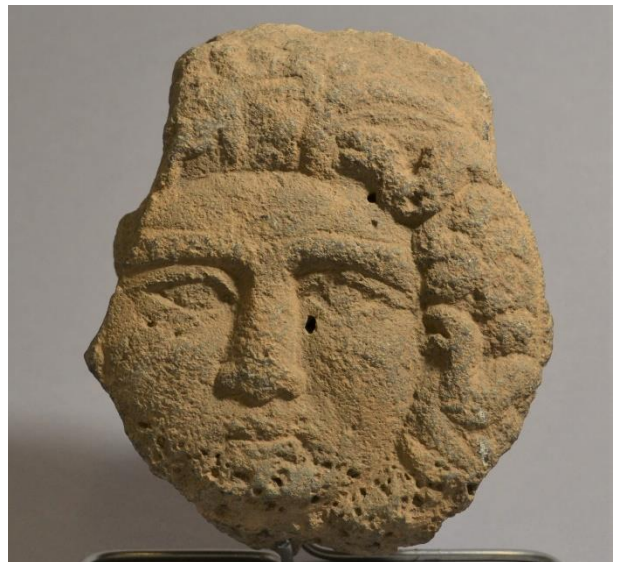
Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel.

Purchased from the French art market.

Before that in French private collectio C.F., Paris.

Est.: 1'500 – 2'500 CHF / Start: 800 CHF



28

**Ancient Roman Stone Fragment Of An
Acorn**

Roman Empire, 2nd Century A.D. / Stone / H = 12 cm (4 3/4 inches)

Roman stone fragment on an acorn, from a relief. Fragment.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel-Landschaft.

Purchased from the Dutch art market in 2020.

Before that in Dutch private collection Joro.

Purchased from the Prehistoric Museum Eifel in 2018.

Est.: 150 – 250 CHF / Start: 80 CHF



29

Roman Bronze Statuett Of A Horse

Roman Empire, 2nd – 3rd Century A.D. / Bronze / L = 12 cm (4 3/4 inches)

Roman bronze statuette of a horse with a special terracotta mounting zone for the rider, on the back of the horse. Both front hooves broken off, the right one reattached.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel.

Purchased from the UK art market.

Before that in UK private collection of P. Dawson.

Est.: 1'500 – 2'000 CHF / Start: 800 CHF



30

Ancient Roman Bronze Statuette Of Dionysus, Rare Typus: Braschi

Roman Empire, 1st Century A.D. / Bronze / H = 9.5 cm (3 3/4 inches)

Roman bronze statuette of the rarest known typus of Dionysus ; Braschi. Right hand missing, worn.

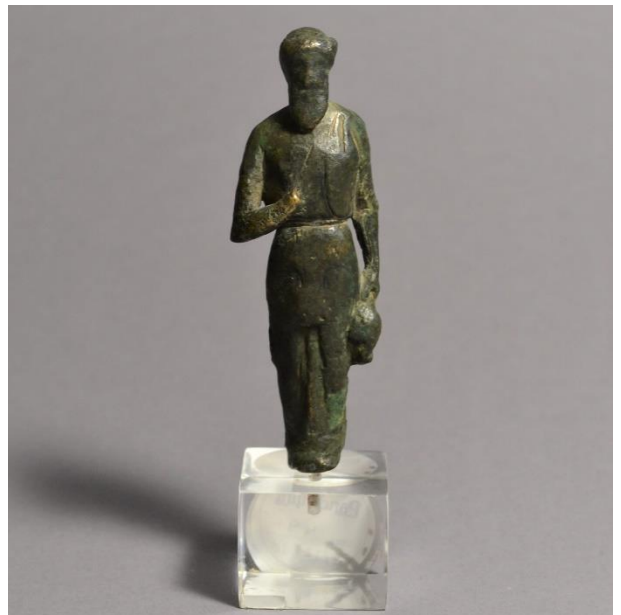
Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased from Pandolfini, Florence in 2020.

(With copy of the Italian: "Attestato di libera circolazione" from the Ufficio Esportazione di Firenze.)

Est.: 1'200 – 1'600 CHF / Start: 800 CHF



31

Ancient Roman Bronze Animal Limb

Roman Empire, 1st – 3rd Century A.D. / Bronze / L = 7.7 cm (3 inches)

Roman bronze animal limb, component of a statuette. Component, in good condition.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel.

Purchased from an Etwall auction house at the art market England 2021.

Before that in old private UK collection, England.

Est.: 100 – 200 CHF / Start: No reserve



32

Ancient Roman Bronze Sea Horse Shaped Mech. Component

Roman Empire, 2nd Century A.D. / Bronze / H = 12 cm (4 3/4 inches)

Roman bronze mechanical component in the shape of a sea horse. Intact, with nice patina.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel.

Purchased from the French art market Paris.

Before that in French private collection Paris.

Est.: 600 – 800 CHF / Start: 400 CHF



33

Gallo-Roman Bronze Statuette Of A River God, Rhenus?

Roman Empire, 1st Century A.D. / Bronze / L = 4.1 cm
(1 39/64 inches)

Gallo-Roman bronze statuette of a river god. Possibly Rhenus. Intact with black and green patina.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased from Petermännchen Konz, Germany in around 2011.

Before that in German private collectio Saarland.

Est.: 2'000 – 3'000 CHF / Start: 1'600 CHF



34

Ancient Roman Bronze Bull-Killing Victory (Tauroktona) Applique

Roman Empire, 1st Century B.C. – 1st Century A.D. / Bronze / L = 3.8 cm (1 1/2 inches)

Roman bronze applique depicting the bull killing Victory Tauroktona. In good condition.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection F. B. Münchenstein.

Before that in private collection, Basel.

Purchased in 2009 from the private collection Gundula Wein, Freudenstadt, Germany.

Before that, acquired from Galerie Arminius, Altenbeken on the 24.11.1992.

Est.: 800 – 1'200 CHF / Start: 600 CHF



35

Lot Of 6 Ancient Roman Fibulas And Roman Keys

Roman Empire, 1st – 3rd Century A.D. / Bronze / L = 3 – 7 cm (1 1/8 – 2 3/4 inches)

Roman bronze fibulas (3) and keys (3). Some objects deformed, one pin reattached.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel-Landschaft.

Purchased from the German and Swiss art market from 2009 to 2020.

Before that in German and Swiss private collections.

Est.: 150 – 250 CHF / Start: No reserve



36

Ancient Roman Bronze Handle With Head Of Medusa

Roman Empire, 1st Century A.D. / Bronze / H = 11.5 cm (4 1/2 inches)

Roman bronze handle with the head of Medusa. Intact, nice patina.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection, Basel.

Purchased from Philippe Thonier Les Andelys, France.

Before that in French private collection area of Rouen.

Est.: 400 – 600 CHF / Start: 240 CHF



37

Ancient Late Roman Bronze Enamelled Fibula With Birds

Roman Empire, 4th Century A.D. / Bronze ; Enamel / D = 4.6 cm (1 13/16 inches)

Late roman bronze enamelled fibula with a fascinating motive. Some enamel remained.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Tritten, Binningen.

Purchased from the Swiss art market in 2010.

Before that in German private collection Rhein-Main area.

Est.: 600 – 800 CHF / Start: 400 CHF



38

Ancient Roman Bronze Enamelled Dolphine Fibula

Roman Empire, 1st - 2nd Century A.D. / Bronze ; Enamel / L = 4.3 cm (1 11/16 inches)

Roman bronze enamelled fibula with dolphine in the center. Pin missing, dolphine no longer possible to rotate.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection F. B. Münchenstein.

Before that, in Swiss private collection Allschwil.

Purchased on the UK art market.

Est.: 600 – 800 CHF / Start: 320 CHF



39

Ancient Roman Silver Fibula

Roman Empire, 1st - 2nd Century A.D. / Silver / L = 7.2 cm (2 53/64 inches)

Roman silver fibula in very good condition. Pin broken, but still complete.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection R. Bonsera, Basel.

Purchased around 2011 from the Basel art market.

Before that in German private collection.

Est.: 400 – 600 CHF / Start: 200 CHF



40

Ancient Roman Bronze Omega Fibula

Roman Empire, 1st – 3rd Century A.D. / Bronze / D = 2 cm (1 21/32 inches)

Roman bronze omega fibula. In perfect condition with beautiful patina.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection R. Bonsera, Basel.

Purchased around 2011 from the Basel art market.

Before that in German private collection.

Est.: 500 – 600 CHF / Start: 240 CHF



41

Ancient Roman Bronze Phallic Amulet

Roman Empire, 1st – 3rd Century A.D. / Bronze / H = 2.5 cm (1 inch)

Roman bronze phallic amulet with loop. Intact.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel.

Purchased on the French art market Paris.

Before that, French private collection, Paris.

Est.: 300 – 400 CHF / Start: 160 CHF



42

Ancient Frankish Merovingian Silver Applique

Frankish, 5th – 6th Century A.D. / Silver / L = .2 cm (1 21/32 inches)

Frankish Merovingian silver applique with double headed eagle. Probably an applique for textile or leather. Consisting of 6 parts. Intact.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Tritten, Binningen.

Purchased around 2012 from the Basel art market.

Before that in German private collection.

Est.: 500 – 600 CHF / Start: 240 CHF



43

Ancient Roman Bone Eros Miniature

Roman Empire, 1st – 3rd Century A.D. / Bone / H = 3.5 cm (1 3/8 inches)

Roman bone miniature statuette of Eros. Feet missing.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel.

Purchased on the French art market Paris.

Est.: 800 – 1'200 CHF / Start: 400 CHF



44

Ancient Roman Bone Head Of A Cesar

Roman Empire, 1st – 3rd Century A.D. / Bone / H = 3.5 cm (1 3/8 inches)

Roman bone head of a Cesar. Repaired.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel-Landschaft.

Purchased from the French art market.

Before that in French private collection since the 19th Century.

Est.: 100 – 200 CHF / Start: No reserve



45

Lot of 6 Ancient Roman Bone Neadles

Roman Empire, 1st – 3rd Century A.D. / Bone / L = 5.5 - 10 cm (2 - 4 inches)

Lot of 6 different hairpins. One with engraved decor. All intact.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection R. Bonsera, Basel.

Purchased from the Swiss art market Basel in 2010.

Before that in German private collection.

Est.: 150 – 300 CHF / Start: 80



46

Ancient Roman Glass Sprinkler Flask

Roman Empire ; Middle East, 3rd – 4th Century A.D. / Glass / H = 9.7 cm ; D = 6.8 cm (3 7/8 ; 2 5/8 inches)

Roman glass sprinkler flask with wide, flat rim. Cylindrical neck, constricted at its base with abrupt transition to globular body with diagonal ribbing. Intact.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel-Landschaft.

Before that in old French collection of Mr. Pierre Souleil acquired between 1955 - 1975.

Est.: 600 – 800 CHF / Start: 400 CHF



47

Ancient Roman Glass Double Cosmetic Tube

Roman Empire, 1st – 2nd Century A.D. / Glass / H = 16 cm (6 1/4 inches)

Roman glass double cosmetic tube with handle. Handle reattached, small part missing, crack along the body.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection R. Bonsera, Basel.

Purchased around 2011 from the Basel art market.

Before that in German private collection.

Est.: 500 – 600 CHF / Start: 240 CHF



48

Ancient Roman Glass Pitcher With Trefoil Rim And Threat

Roman Empire, 4th – 5th Century A.D. / Glass / H = 13.2 cm (5 1/4 inches)

Roman glass pitcher with handle, threat decor and trefoil rim. Intact.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel-Landschaft.

Before that in old French collection of Mr. Pierre Souleil acquired between 1955 - 1975.

Est.: 1'000 – 1'200 CHF / Start: 800 CHF



49

Ancient Roman Glass Bowl

Roman Empire, 2nd – 4th Century A.D. / Glass / D = 10 cm ; H = 5.5 cm (4 ; 2 1/4 inches)

Roman glass bowl with folded rim and conical folded foot. Beautiful iridescence. Intact.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2021 from Jean-David Cahn.

Before that in the private collection of Carl Leonhard Burckhardt.

Est.: 500 – 700 CHF / Start: 320 CHF



50

Ancient Roman Flat Bottom Glass Unguentarium

Roman Empire ; Eastern Mediterranean, 1st – 3rd Century A.D. / Glass / H = 7.4 cm ; D = 6.9 cm (3 ; 2 3/4 inches)

Roman thick-walled bottle made of bluish green glass. Lenticular body with cylindrical neck and horizontal mouth. Intact, with fascinating iridescence. Intact.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel-Landschaft.

Before that in old French collection of Mr. Pierre Souleil acquired between 1955 - 1975.

Est.: 600 – 800 CHF / Start: 320 CHF



51

Ancient Roman Glass Jar

Roman Empire, 1st – 3rd Century A.D. / Glass / H = 6.5 cm ; D = 8 cm (2 1/2 ; 4 inches)

Roman glass jar with iridescence. Beautiful proportions and color. Intact.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel-Landschaft.

Before that in old French collection of Mr. Pierre Souleil acquired between 1955 - 1975.

Est.: 800 – 1'000 CHF / Start: 500 CHF



52

Ancient Roman Glass Amphoriskos

Roman Empire, 1st – 3rd Century A.D. / Glass / H = 16.5 cm (6 1/2 inches)

Roman pale green glass amphoriskos with folded rim and beautiful proportions. Intact.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel-Landschaft.

Purchased in 2021 on the French art market Paris.

Before that, French private collection, Paris.

Est.: 500 – 700 CHF / Start: 320 CHF



53

Ancient Roman Glass Bottle With Heavy Iridescence

Roman Empire, 1st – 3rd Century A.D. / Glass / H = 12.5 cm (5 inches)

Roman glass bottle with globular body and long neck. Intact, with extraordinary iridescence.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection F. B., Münchenstein.

Before that in Swiss private collection, Basel

Purchased on the Belgium art market Uccle.

Est.: 1'200 – 1'600 CHF / Start: 600 CHF



54

Ancient Roman Glass Unguentarium

Roman Empire, 1st – 3rd Century A.D. / Glass / H = 11.2 cm (4 1/2 inches)

Roman glass unguentarium with long neck and flat bottom. Intact, completely sintered through the whole wall.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2021 from Jean-David Cahn.

Before that in the private collection of Carl Leonhard Burckhardt.

Est.: 300 – 400 CHF / Start: 160 CHF



55

Ancient Phoenician Stamnoid Core-Formed Glass Bottle

Phoenician, 5th – 4th Century B.C. / Glass / H = 7.3 cm (2 7/8 inches)

Roman pale green glass amphoriskos with folded rim and beautiful proportions. Small chips, one small chip reattached at the foot.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel-Landschaft.

Purchased on the 2020 German art market Munich.

Before that in German private collection Bavaria, since 2011.

Est.: 800 – 1'200 CHF / Start: 500 CHF



56

Ancient Roman Marbled Glass Bottle

Roman Empire, 1st – 2nd Century A.D. / Glass / H = 12 cm (4 3/4 inches)

Roman marbled glass bottle with conical body and long neck. In perfect condition.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection, Basel.

Purchased in 2021 on the US art market, Chicago.

Before that in US private estate, Connecticut, bought in the mid 1980s Years.

(With a copy of the signed provenance statement from the estate executor.)

Est.: 1'800 – 2'400 CHF / Start: 1'000 CHF



57

Ancient Egyptian Faience Amulet Of Pataikos

Egyptian, Late Period : 664 – 332 B.C. / Glass / H = 12.5 cm (5 inches)

Egyptian blue faience amulet of Pataikos. Complete, break repaired.

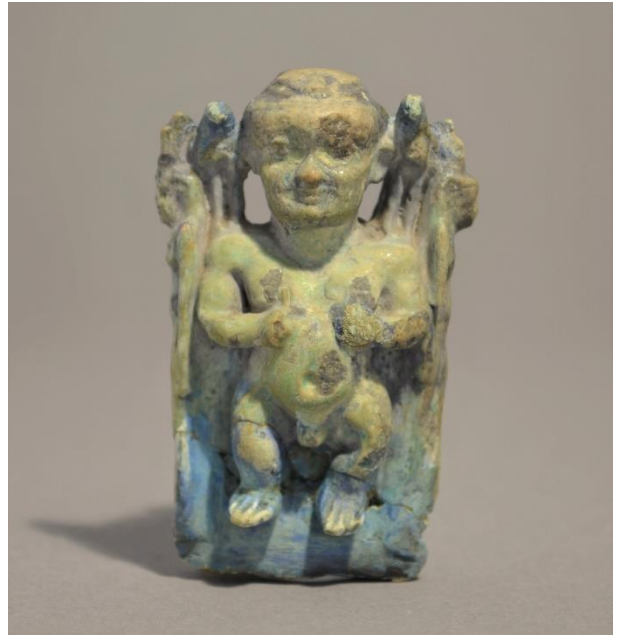
Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2021 from Jean-David Cahn.

Before that in the private collection of Carl Leonhard Burckhardt.

Est.: 500 – 700 CHF / Start: 240 CHF



58

Ancient Egyptian Stone Relief With Headdress Of Bes

Egyptian, 3rd intermediate period, 1070-664 B.C. / Limestone / H = 22 cm / (8 43/64 inches)

Egyptian limestone relief with the headdress of the god Bes. Small chips, worn.

Provenance:

British private collection Michael Randall.

Before that R. & M. Alexander, London, since the 1960's – 1980's.

(with copy of the owners statement from Michael Randall)

Est.: 800 – 1'000 CHF / Start: 400 CHF



59*

Ancient Egyptian Bronze Statuette Of Harpokrates

Egyptian, Ptolemaic : 332 - 30 B.C. / Bronze / H = 8 cm (3 1/4 inches)

Egyptian bronze statuette of Harpokrates. In very good condition.

Provenance:

Old French private collection of M. L. since the 1980's.

Purchased on the Monegasque art market.

Est.: 500 – 700 CHF / Start: 320 CHF

*(This lot is fully liable to VAT)



60

Ancient Egyptian Alabaster Vessel With Lid

Egyptian, 1st – 3rd Century A.D. / Glass / H = 6.3 cm
(2 1/2 inches)

Egyptian alabaster vessel with lid. Beautiful shape and colour. Restoration at the lid, some chips.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2021 from Jean-David Cahn.

Before that in the private collection of Carl Leonhard Burckhardt.

Est.: 350 – 450 CHF / Start: 200 CHF



61

Ancient Egyptian Terracotta Head Of Hathor

Egyptian, Roman Period / Terracotta / H = 15.5 cm / (6 7/64 inches)

Egyptian terracotta head of the goddess Hathor. Some fragments missing.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel-Landschaft.

Before that in French private collection Paris.

Purchased on the French art market.

Est.: 600 – 900 CHF / Start: 300 CHF



62

Ancient Egyptian Glass Fragments

Egyptian, Late to Ptolemaic Period : 664 – 30 B.C. / Glass / H = 16.5 cm (6 1/2 inches)

Lot of 3 egyptian coloured glass fragments. Fragments, one with some iridescence.

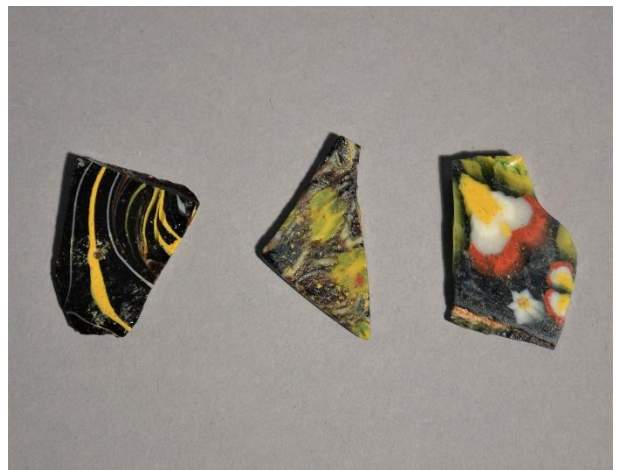
Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2019 on the US art market Sarasota.

Before that in US private collection, Florida.

Est.: 150 – 250 CHF / Start: No reserve



63

Heavy Ancient Egyptian Alabastron

Egyptian, 1st – 3rd Century A.D. / Alabaster / H = 11 cm (4 3/8 inches)

Egyptian alabaster vessel on customised metall stand. In very good condition.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2021 from Jean-David Cahn.

Before that in the private collection of Carl Leonhard Burckhardt.

Est.: 600 – 800 CHF / Start: 320 CHF



64

Ancient Egyptian Silver Harpokrates Amulet

Egyptian, 1st – 3rd Century A.D. / Glass / H = 11.2 cm (4 1/2 inches)

Egyptian silver amulet of Harpokrates with crown and animals. Break in the middle.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection, Bonsera.

Purchased on the Munich art market, in Germany since the early 1980s.

Est.: 200 – 300 CHF / Start: 160 CHF



65

Bronze Age Novo-Selo-Karna Culture Vessel

Novo-Selo-Karna-Culture, Late Bronze Age : late 2nd Millenium B.C. / Clay / W = 20.5 cm (7 13/16 inches)

Late bronze age double handled vessel from the Novo-Selo-Karna culture. Very small chip reattached.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2021 on the German art market, Munich.

Before that in German private collection, bought in the Balkans between 1920 and 1955.

(With copy of the german export licence.)

Est.: 1'500 – 2'000 CHF / Start: 1'000 CHF



66

Anthropomorph Bronze Age Novo-Selo-Karna Vessel With Spout

Novo-Selo-Karna-Culture, Late Bronze Age : late 2nd Millenium B.C. / Clay / W = 17 cm (6 5/8 inches)

Late bronze age anthropomorphic vessel with spout. From the Novo-Selo-Karna culture. Repaired at the rim, Some small restoration.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2021 on the German art market, Munich.

Before that in German private collection, bought in the Balkans between 1920 and 1955.

(With copy of the german export licence.)

Est.: 2'000 – 2'500 CHF / Start: 1'200 CHF



67

Bronze Age Bronze Dagger

Europa, 2nd Millenium B.C. / Bronze / L = 36.2 cm (14 1/4 inches)

European bronze age bronze dagger with prisma blade and spread end at the handle. Intact.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection B.R. Bern.

Purchased on the Swiss art market in around 2015.

Before that in Swiss private collection Bern.

Est.: 600 – 800 CHF / Start: 400 CHF



68

Ancient Tell Brak Type Eye Idol

Tell Brak, Late 4. Millennium B.C. / Marble / H = 4.6 cm / (1 13/16 inches)

Roman pale green glass amphoriskos with folded rim and beautiful proportions. Broken and repaired.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel-Landschaft.

Before that in German private collection Bavaria.

Purchased on the German art market, Munich.

In Germany since 2010.

Est.: 400 – 500 CHF / Start: 120 CHF



69

Ancient Celtic Bronze Necklage

Celtic, 2nd – 1st Century B.C. / Bronze / D = 16.5 cm
(6 1/2 inches)

Celtic bronze necklage with spiral ends. One spiral missing.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Tritten.

Purchased on the Swiss art market around 2010.

Before that in Swiss private collection, Basel.

Est.: 100 – 200 CHF / Start: No reserve



70

Ancient Celtic Bronze Figure Applique

Celtic, 2nd – 1st Century B.C. / Bronze / L = 10 cm (4 inches)

Roman glass unguentarium with long neck and flat bottom. Intact, corrosion residues.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel.

Before that in Swiss private collection Romandie Switzerland, 2014.

Before that in French private collection.

Est.: 800 – 1'200 CHF / Start: 400 CHF



71

Ancient Celtic Bronze Figural Pen Needle

Celtic, 2nd – 1st Century B.C. / Bronze / H = 12.9 cm
(5 inches)

Celtic bronze pen needle with head shaped finial and bronze ring through the shaft. Intact, with beautiful red cuprite patina.

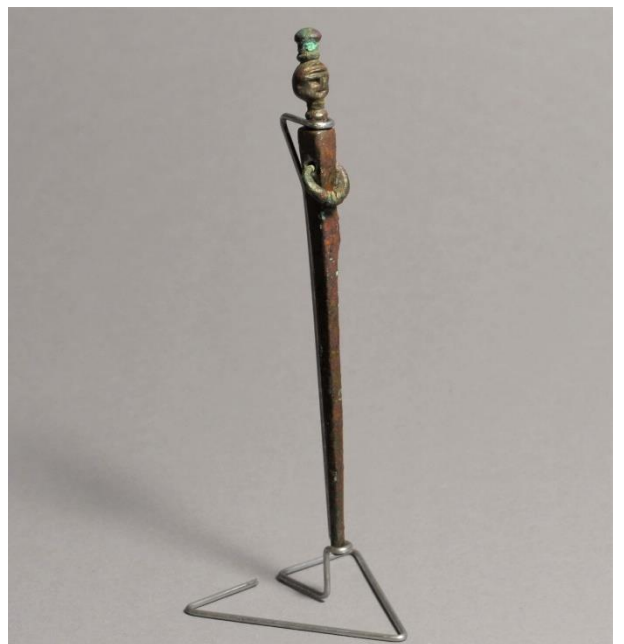
Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel-Landschaft.

Purchased in 2021 on the UK art market.

Before that in UK private collection, Derby.

Est.: 400 – 600 CHF / Start: 200 CHF



72

Ancient Etruscan Ritualistic Plate

Etruscan, 7th – 6th B.C. / Clay / D = 17 cm (6 11/16 inches)

Etruscan ritualistic plate. Intact.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2021 from Dawo Scheidt, Germany.

Est.: 100 – 200 CHF / Start: No reserve



73

Small Apulian Black Glazed Ceramic Bowl

Apulian, 4th – 3rd Century B.C. / Black Glazed Ceramic / D = 12 cm (4 23/32 inches)

Apulian black glazed ceramic bowl or dish with with decorated pattern all around. Slightly worn.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection, Basel.

Purchased around 2014 on a collectors fair on the Swiss art market.

Est.: 300 – 400 CHF / Start: 160 CHF



74

Ancient Roman Bronze Rams Head Finial

Roman Empire, 1st – 3rd Century A.D. / Bronze / L = 6.8 cm (2 1/2 inches)

Roman bronze finial of a handle in the shape of a ram head. Fragment missing at the end.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel-Landschaft.

Purchased in 2011 from Artemide in San Marino.

Before that in San Marino private collection.

Est.: 150 – 200 CHF / Start: No reserve



75

Ancient Roman Silvered Bronze Bird Applique

Roman Empire, 1st – 3rd Century A.D. / Silvered Bronze / L = 2.2 cm (7/8 inches)

Roman bronze bird applique with remains of silvering. Intact, pin missing.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection F. B., Münchenstein.
Before that in Swiss private collection, Basel.

Est.: 80 – 120 CHF / Start: No reserve



PRECOLUMBIAN ART

(LOT 76 – 95)

76

Vera Cruz White Terracotta Head

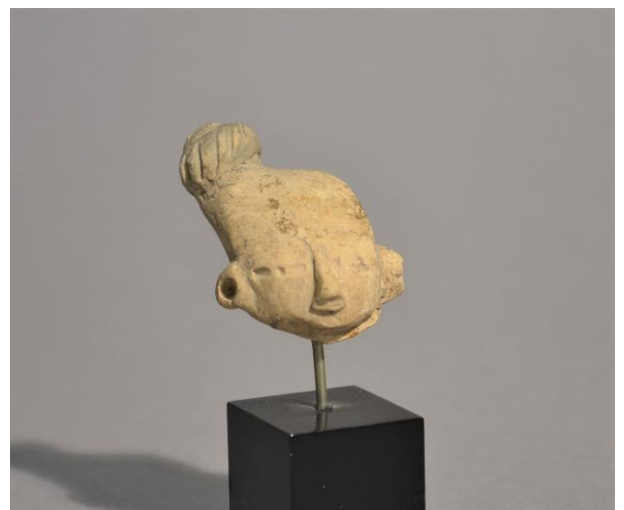
Mexico, ca. 500 A.D. / Terracotta / H = 3.6 cm (1 26/64 inches)

Mexican Vera Cruz terracotta head. Break at the neck.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.
Purchased in 2020 from the Swiss art market, Basel.
Before that in the private collection of M. & J. Keller, Rheinfelden.

Est.: 80 – 120 CHF / Start: No reserve



77

Mayan Terracotta Figure

Mayan ; Mexico, 250 - 600 A.D. / Terracotta / H = 12.5 cm (5 inches)

Mayan terracotta figure. Possibly of a priest. Intact, slightly worn at the head.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2020 from the Swiss art market Basel.

Before that in the private collection of Carlo Monzino (1931 – 1996), Castagnola.

Est.: 500 – 700 CHF / Start: 320 CHF



78

Teotihuacan Head Of A Man

Teotihuacan ; Mexico, 450 - 750 A.D. / Terracotta / H = 3 cm (1 3/16 inches)

Teotihuacan terracotta head of a man. Break at the neck.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2021 from the Swiss art market, Geneva.

Before that in Swiss private collection Geneva.

Est.: 80 – 120 CHF / Start: No reserve



79

Mixteque Bowl With Figural Applications

Mixteque ; Mexico, 12th – 15th Century A.D. / Terracotta / D = 17 cm (6 1/2 inches)

Mixteque polychrome terracotta bowl with 4 figural heads. Intact, worn.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2021 from the Swiss art market, Geneva.

Before that in Swiss private collection Geneva.

Est.: 300 – 400 CHF / Start: 160 CHF



80

Vera Cruz Polychrome Terracotta Head

Mexico, ca. 500 A.D. / Terracotta / H = 4.7 cm (1 7/8 inches)

Mexican Vera Cruz polychrome terracotta head. Break at the neck.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2020 from the Swiss art market, Basel.

Before that in the private collection of M. & J. Keller, Rheinfelden.

Est.: 80 – 120 CHF / Start: No reserve



81

Valdivia Culture Seal In The Shape Of A Bird

Valdivia ; Ecuador, 3000 – 1500 B.C. / Terracotta / H = 5 cm (2 inches)

Valdivia culture seal in the shape of a bird. Intact.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2021 from the Swiss art market, Geneva.

Before that in Swiss private collection Geneva.

(With copy of the certificate from the Galeria Metropolitana in Quito, 1992.)

Est.: 200 – 300 CHF / Start: 80 CHF



82

Vera Cruz Terracotta Rattle Head

Vera Cruz ; Mexico, around 500 A.D. / Terracotta / H = 7.5 cm (3 inches)

Vera Cruz culture terracotta rattle in the shape of a head. Damaged, but still working.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2020 from the Swiss art market, Basel.

Before that in the private collection of M. & J. Keller, Rheinfelden.

Est.: 300 – 400 CHF / Start: 160 CHF



83

Chavin Stone Bowl

Chavin ; Peru, 1200 – 800 B.C. / Stone / D = 9.2 cm (3 5/8 inches)

Chavin culture stone bowl on 3 feet. Small chip at the rim.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2015 on the Swiss art market Basel.

Before that in German private collection of H. J.

Westermann 1950's – 1960's.

Est.: 200 – 250 CHF / Start: 80 CHF



84

Teotihuacan Terracotta Amulet Of The God Of Fire

Teotihuacan ; Mexico, 450 – 750 A.D. / Terracotta / H = 5 cm (2 inches)

Mexican teotihuacan terracotta amulet of the god of fire. In very good condition.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2021 from the Swiss art market, Geneva.

Before that in Swiss private collection Geneva.

Est.: 200 – 300 CHF / Start: 80 CHF



85

Vera Cruz Mask Cara Sonriente Head

Vera Cruz ; Mexico, around 500 A.D. / Terracotta / H = 14 cm (5 5/8 inches)

Vera Cruz mask of a grinning man. Repaired from Fragments.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2021 from the Belgian art market.

Before that in Belgian private collection, Brussels

Est.: 400 – 600 CHF / Start: 200



86

Aztec ? Terracotta Head

Aztec ? ; Mexico, 15th Century A.D. / Terracotta / H = 7 cm (2 3/4 inches)

Precolumbian terracotta head. Fragment.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2020 from the Swiss art market, Basel.

Before that in the private collection of P. & V. Schnell, Zürich.

Est.: 100 – 150 CHF / Start: No reserve



87

Precolumbian Bronze Earrings

South America, 500 – 1500 A.D. / Bronze / D = 6.5 cm (2 1/2 inches)

Pair of south american bronze earrings with faces in the centre. Heavily corroded.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2021 from the Swiss art market, Geneva.

Before that in Swiss private collection Geneva.

Est.: 200 – 300 CHF / Start: 120 CHF



88

Colima Terracotta Female Figure

Colima ; Mexico, 100 B.C. – 250 A.D. / Terracotta / H = 11 cm (4 1/4 inches)

Colima culture terracotta female figure. Feet missing, with traces of red colour.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2021 from the Geneva art market.

Before that in Swiss private collection Geneva.

Est.: 300 – 500 CHF / Start: 160 CHF



89

Aztec Stone Mask

Aztec ; Mexico, 900 - 1325 A.D. / Stone / H = 16 cm (6 1/4 inches)

Aztec green stone mask. With a damaged and repaired spot on the right top.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2020 from the Basel art market.

Before that in the private collection of M. Gross (1922 – 2017) Biel.

Purchased on the 17.09.1966.

(With old photo from the collection M. Gross)

Est.: 500 – 700 CHF / Start: 240 CHF



90*

Nariño Terracotta Vessel

Nariño ; Columbia, 8th Century A.D. / Terracotta / H = 9 cm (3 1/2 inches)

Nariño culture red terracotta vessel. Intact.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Basel.

Purchased in 2022 on the Swiss art market Basel.

Before that in Swiss private collection, Zürich.

Purchased from the Galleria Luz Miriam Toro Garrido, Bogota.

(With : Certificado de Autenticidad n. 7008 del Julio 10 de 1980)

Est.: 150 – 250 CHF / Start: 80 CHF

*(This lot is fully liable to VAT)



91

Lot Of 3 Mexican Terracotta Heads

Mexico, 250 – 1500 A.D. / Terracotta / H = 5 cm (2 inches)

Mexican terracotta heads on displays. Fragments.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2020 from the Swiss art market, Basel.

Before that in the private collection of M. & J. Keller, Rheinfelden.

Est.: 50 – 100 CHF / Start: No reserve



92

Lot Of 2 South American Terracotta Fragments

South America, ? / Terracotta / L = 5 – 3 cm (2 – 1 3/8 inches)

Lot of 2 south american terracotta fragments with decoration. Fragments.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2020 from the Swiss art market, Basel.

Before that in the private collection of P. & V. Schnell, Zürich.

Est.: 30 – 50 CHF / Start: No reserve



93

Guanacaste Nicoya Terracotta Bowl

Guanacaste Nicoya; Costa Rica, 1300 - 1500 A.D. / Terracotta / D = 10.5 cm (4 1/16 inches)

Guanacaste red and orange painted terracotta bowl with 3 figural shaped legs with hands and heads. Intact, worn.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2021 from the Geneva art market.

Before that in Swiss private collection Geneva.

Est.: 250 – 350 CHF / Start: 120 CHF



94

Vera Cruz Terracotta Head

Vera Cruz ; Mexico, around 500 A.D. / Terracotta / H = 14 cm (5 5/8 inches)

Vera Cruz terracotta head of a grinning man. Fragment.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2020 from the Swiss art market, Basel.

Before that in the private collection of P. & V. Schnell, Zürich.

Est.: 150 – 250 CHF / Start: 80 CHF



95

Correra Terracotta Vessel With Carved Decoration

Correra ; Ecuador, 800 – 300 B.C. / Terracotta / H = 5 cm (2 inches)

Correra terracotta vessel on three legs with ornamental decoration. Intact.

Provenance:

Swiss private collection Bonsera.

Purchased in 2021 from the Geneva art market.

Before that in Swiss private collection Geneva.

Est.: 150 – 200 CHF / Start: 80 CHF



BOOKS

(LOT 96 – 100)

96

Lot Of 2 Books On Pre Columbian Art

Museum Rietberg Zürich : Sican ; Ein Fürstengrab in Alt-Peru (23 x 21 cm), used.

Atlantis Verlag Zürich Freiburg : Kunst im alten Mexico (31 x 23 cm), used.

Est.: 30 – 50 CHF / Start: No reserve



97

Lot Of 4 Magazines : Antike Welt

Phillip von Zabern, German, 4 magazines (30 x 21 cm)

4/2013 : Magie in der Antike

33. Jahrgang 2002 : Heft 6

6/2013 : Isis; Zwischen Ägypten und Rom

24. Jahrgang 1993 : Heft 3

Est.: 20 – 40 CHF / Start: No reserve



98

Lot Of 4 Magazines On Mithraic Issues

Phillip von Zabern (3 x Antike Welt) / SGUF (1 x Archäologie in der Schweiz), German, 4 magazines (30 x 21 cm)

SGUF, 18, 1995 : Heft 1

16. Jahrgang 1985 : Heft 3

30. Jahrgang 1999 : Heft 2

24. Jahrgang 1993 : Heft 1

Est.: 20 – 40 CHF / Start: No reserve



99

Lot Of 5 Magazines : Antike Welt

Phillip von Zabern, German, 5 magazines (30 x 21 cm)

1/2015 : Farben in der Antike

5/2014 : Antike Schöpfungsmythen

Sondernummer 1978 : Die römischen Katakomben

7. Jahrgang 1976 : Heft 4

31. Jahrgang 2000 : Heft 3

Est.: 20 – 40 CHF / Start : No reserve



100

Huge Book : Mario Moretti ; New Monuments Of Etruscan Painting

Pennsylvania State University / University Park London

English, 360 pages, big folding pictures, 3.7 Kg, (38 x 29 x 5 cm / 15 x 12 x 2 inches)

Est.: 100 – 200 CHF / Start: No reserve

