ART ANTIQUES CHESHIRE The Mere Golf Resort & Spa, Chester Road, Mere, Knutsford, Cheshire WA16 6LJ Friday 23 to Sunday 25 February 2018



Brian Shields aka Braaq FBA (1951-1997), I've just seen me first pair of tits, £45,000-55,000 from Haynes Fine Art - London & Cotswolds

The Mere Golf Resort & Spa near Knutsford is once again the venue for a stylish antiques and fine art fair, next held from Friday 23 to Sunday 25 February 2018. **Art Antiques Cheshire** is organised by The Antiques Dealers Fair Limited, and The Mere is the ideal location for a top-class boutique-style fair. Being one of the most luxurious hotels in Cheshire, and set in the heart of the countryside, it is within easy reach of Chester, Manchester and Liverpool. Mixing antiques with furnishings and design objects and offering antiquities alongside art to the present day, the event has a broad approach and relaxed atmosphere, creating the perfect shopping environment.

The fair is an exciting source of collectors' objects spanning the centuries with disciplines ranging from paintings, furniture, sculpture, jewellery, silver and Art Deco works of art to classical and medieval antiquities. Around 25 specialist antiques and fine art dealers showcase their best items to entice interior decorators, collectors, private and corporate buyers, as well as those just seeking antiques and the finer things in life. New faces exhibiting at the fair this year include **Carnes Fine Art** from Lancashire, **Greenstein Antiques** from Grays in London's Mayfair, **Stephen Kalms Antiques** from the London Silver Vaults and **Les & Rhoda Howard Small Silver Collectables** from Cheshire.

Amongst the many highlights around the fair is an oil painting entitled *La Marne à Ussy-sur-Marne* by Henri Hayden (1883-1970) on **Carne Fine Art's** stand selling for £12,500. Hayden, born in Warsaw, moved to Paris in 1907 and was greatly inspired by Paul Cézanne. Another notable piece is an exhibition quality walnut stool made by quality cabinet makers Blain & Co, Liverpool, dated 1855 and with the workman's signature on the frame priced at £1,850 from **Melody Antiques**, specialists in oak and country furniture. A focal point on local Cheshire dealers **Church Street Antiques'** stand is a pair of Gillows drinks cabinets, dated 1895 (£8,500). THE ANTIQUES DEALERS FAIR LIMITED

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A St Louis ruby glass scent bottle on crown paperweight base, French, c1850, £960 from Fileman Antiques



Exhibition quality walnut stool by Blain & Co, Liverpool, c1855, £1,850 from Melody Antiques

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Odyssey offers a comprehensive display of antiquities and coins from most classical and medieval cultures including a striking piece of ancient jewellery - a Roman gold, garnet, emerald and glass bracelet (£3,500). When it came to self-adornment, the Romans did not hold back. They loved their jewellery, especially in gold, whether it be pins, brooches, necklaces or rings. This really fine bracelet shows ancient craftsmanship at its best. Each section of the bracelet is inset with shaped garnets and emeralds with the terminals inset with 'teardrop' glass that has turned iridescent over the millennia.

By the time the fair opens, Valentine's Day will have just passed, but for any romantic who has not found the ideal present for a loved one there is a good selection available, be it by a designer name such as a Chopard LOVE heart necklace, set with sapphires and diamonds, or two hearts in one in 18 carat white gold and diamonds, both from **Plaza**. If colour is more important, an 18 carat gold fancy coloured heart-shaped sapphire and diamond shamrock brooch, c1900 (£3,900) can be found with **T Robert**. Other jewellery experts include **Anderson Jones Ltd**, **Greenstein Antiques** and **Shapiro & Co**.

Fileman Antiques, well known antique lighting specialist, is also bringing a selection of attractive antique scent bottles such as a St Louis ruby glass scent bottle set on a paperweight base (£960) and a Victorian silver mounted cameo scent bottle, hallmarked Edmund Bennett, London 1887 (£850). More curios include a selection of miniature scent bottles, a charming 18 carat gold, ruby-eyed, bloodstone owl seal (£1,850) and an 18 carat gold thimble engraved with a castle (£545), all from **T Robert.** Stephen Kalms Antiques is exhibiting a range of notable pieces of silver. Amongst the 19th and 20th century bronze sculptures on Garret & Hurst Sculpture's stand is *Faucheur* by Adrien Gaudez (1845-1902) which was exhibited at the Salon of 1899 (£7,250).

Paintings are well represented by **Haynes Fine Art - London & Cotswolds** offering a comprehensive display of fine art from the 19th to the 21st centuries to appeal to all manner of tastes. **J Dickinson Maps & Prints** specialises in fine quality antique maps and prints covering most areas of the United Kingdom.

Make this an enjoyable day out by combining a visit with a meal in Browns, The Mere's flagship restaurant with 2AA rosettes or enjoy light refreshments in the fair itself.

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Greek Colonies 'face' plate, £475 from Odyssey



(L) Chopard LOVE heart necklace set with sapphires an diamonds on 18 carat white gol chain, (M) two hearts in one se in 18 carat white gold and diamonds, (R) diamond encrusted heart on 18 carat whi gold chain, POA from Plaza



Adrien Gaudez (1845-1902), Faucher, bronze, £7,250 from Garret & Hurst Sculpture



Henri Hayden (1883-1970), La Marne à Ussy-sur-Marne, oil on board, £12,500 from Carnes Fine Art

Notes to Editors:

The fair is vetted with a dateline of 1970 for most disciplines.

Event:	Art Antiques Cheshire
Venue:	The Mere Golf Resort & Spa, Chester Road, Mere, Knutsford, Cheshire WA16 6LJ
Date & opening times:	Friday 23 – Sunday 25 February 2018 Friday 11am – 6pm, Saturday 10.30am – 6pm, Sunday 10.30am – 5pm
Tickets & enquiries:	£5, including catalogue (and re-admission) The Antiques Dealers Fair Ltd Telephone: +44 (0)1797 252030 or info@adfl.co.uk
Transport:	By Road: On the A556, close to junction 19 of the M6. Free parking. AA signposted.
	By Rail: Knutsford railway station (5-10 minutes), Stockport Station (20-30 minutes), Manchester Airport Station (20- 30 minutes), Manchester Piccadilly (30-40 minutes)
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Roman gold, garnet, emerald and glass bracelet, £3,500 from Odyssey



William IV carved mahogany framed settee, c1830, £3,850 from Church Street Antiques



Silver fish on turtle feet, London 1883, price £750 and a silver fish dish, 1922, £445 from Stephen Kalms Antiques



Arthur Delaney (1927-1987), Boy with a red scarf riding a bicycle, £10,000-15,000 from Haynes Fine Art - London & Cotswolds