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# ANTIQUORUM PRESENTS IMPORTANT MODERN & VINTAGE TIMEPIECES GENEVA AUCTION

# SUNDAY, MAY 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Live Auction taking place at the Beau-Rivage Genève Hotel

From 9:00 a.m. CET - LOT 1 to 234 From 2:00 p.m. CET - LOT 235 to 535

#### **Geneva Preview**

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Wednesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Thursday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

GENEVA, SWITZERLAND (April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021) — Antiquorum is proud to present its upcoming Geneva auction taking place at the historical Hotel Beau-Rivage Genève.

In a lavish setting located along Lake Geneva with the Swiss Alpine peaks in full view, the auction will be broadcasted digitally on the *Antiquorum.swiss* website.

Gathering a total of 535 lots, the forthcoming Geneva auction on May 9<sup>th</sup> will begin in the morning and carry on until the evening, presenting an outstanding selection that will surely gather attention and have the audience hanging in suspense.

"Even though the auction will be behind closed doors due to protective sanitary measures, it was really important for me to welcome our collectors digitally within the Beau-Rivage Hotel setting. Indeed, the Geneva May Auction is eagerly awaited every year and I hope that being located in this historic hotel will highlight the experience the audience deserves. The selection our team of experts achieved in bringing together will for sure mesmerize watch enthusiasts around the world." Romain Réa, Antiquorum CEO.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

#### **AUDEMARS PIGUET**

Audemars Piguet Complications: A trio of very fine and rare pocket watches LOT 325-326 & 327. Each of them remarkable for its mechanical virtuosity, the three pieces together represent the epitome of watchmaking essence for any collector. A triumvirate to follow carefully during the auction.



LOT 325
AUDEMARS PIGUET GRANDE COMPLICATION

Estimate: CHF 60,000 - 80,000 HKD 480,000 - 640,000 USD 60,000 - 80,000



LOT 326 AUDEMARS PIGUET ASTRONOMIC MINUTE REPEATER

Estimate: CHF 40,000 - 60,000 HKD 320,000 - 480,000 USD 40,000 - 60,000



LOT 327 AUDEMARS PIGUET, REF. 5501, PERPETUAL CALENDAR POCKET WATCH, TWO-TONE DIAL, YELLOW GOLD

Estimate: CHF 17,000 - 27,000 HKD 136,000 - 216,000 USD 17,000 - 27,000

Jumping into history for Audemars Piguet, Antiquorum experts would like to also highlight two gorgeous Royal Oak specimens: **LOT 212** C series with the AP logo at 6 O'Clock and **LOT 535** a splendid early version of the Jumbo version with a naturally aged brown tropical dial.



LOT 212

AUDEMARS PIGUET, REF. 5402, «ROYAL OAK», C SERIES, ORIGINAL WARRANTY, STAINLESS STEEL

Estimate: CHF 50,000 - 70,000 HKD 400,000 - 560,000 USD 50,000 - 70,000



#### LOT 535

AUDEMARS PIGUET, REF. 5402, ROYAL OAK, A SERIES WITH TROPICAL DIAL

Estimate: CHF 60,000 - 80,000 HKD 480,000 - 640,000 USD 60,000 - 80,000

#### **ROLEX**

A brand that is consistently in great demand in the vintage watch market, Antiquorum will be presenting to its audience some rare treasures from "The Crown":

Even more rare than the reference 4113, which is considered the holy grail for collectors, Rolex Ref. 3346 Zerographe **LOT 292** is the first ever Rolex Chronograph to feature an in-house movement: a 17-jewel, manual-wind Rolex caliber with a flyback stop-seconds function. The Zerograph, a model whose demand is growing, will go under the hammer with a very interesting estimate.



LOT 292 ROLEX, REF. 3346, ZEROGRAPHE, STEEL

Estimate: CHF 50,000 - 80,000 HKD 400,000 - 640,000 USD 50,000 - 80,000

For the first time on the market, **LOT 223** Rolex Ref. 6202 Monometer is considered one of the rarest pre-Submariners.

Another first on the market is **LOT 224** Rolex Ref. 1680 Submariner in 18K yellow gold, featuring a very attractive tropical dial with Arabic date disc.



LOT 223 ROLEX, REF. 6202, MONOMETER, STEEL

Estimate: CHF 30,000 - 50,000 HKD 240,000 - 400,000 USD 30,000 - 50,000



LOT 224
ROLEX, REF.1680, SUBMARINER, "ARABIC" TROPICAL DIAL FULL SET,
YELLOW GOLD, MADE FOR THE UAE ARMED FORCES

Estimate: CHF 100,000 - 150,000 HKD 800,000 - 1,200,000 USD 100,000 - 150,000

**LOT 400**, the Ref. 6542, takes its origin from Pan Am (Pan American World Airways), which commissioned Rolex to develop a watch with a second time zone for their pilots. Antiquorum will propose this very fine and rare stainless-steel GMT Master from 1958 with its original Bakelite bezel.

Better known as "Pussy Galore", the reference was nicknamed after the glamourous blonde who wore the piece and starred alongside James Bond in Goldfinger. Production for this model reference was halted in 1959 in favor of the Ref. 1675.

Lovers of the Rolex Daytona "Paul Newman" dials will be thrilled to discover **LOT 234** Rolex Ref. 6264, a gorgeous example of this reference in near mint condition & **LOT 406** Rolex 6265 Daytona Oyster Panda MK2. This reference has become the most expensive vintage wristwatch ever sold at auction. A key moment of this Sunday's auction will undoubtedly be with this lot in very fine condition, which for the first time is appearing on the market after being entrusted by the family of the original owner.



LOT 400 ROLEX, REF. 6542, GMT MASTER GILT DIAL, BAKELITE BEZEL

Estimate: CHF 80,000 - 120,000

HKD 640,000 - 960,000 USD 80,000 - 120,000



LOT 234 ROLEX, REF. 6264, COSMOGRAPH DAYTONA, PAUL NEWMAN, STEEL

Estimate: CHF 100,000 - 200,000

HKD 800,000 - 1,600,000 USD 100,000 - 200,000



LOT 406 ROLEX, REF. 6265, DAYTONA, «SO CALLED» PAUL NEWMAN

Estimate: CHF 180,000 - 280,000 HKD 1,440,000 - 2,240,000 USD 180,000 - 280,000

OYSTER PANDA MK2, STEEL

Another extremely rare and attractive Rolex Daytona will go under the Antiquorum hammer: **LOT 293** Ref. 6239 Daytona Albino Big Red Dial with a rare and attractive dial. Most probably a "test" dial, Antiquorum experts assume this piece is a prototype since this monochromatic dial never officially appeared on the market.



LOT 293 ROLEX, REF. 6239, DAYTONA ALBINO BIG RED DIAL

Estimate: CHF 700,000 - 1,200,000 HKD 5,600,000 - 9,600,000

USD 700,000 - 1,200,000

#### PATEK PHILIPPE

**LOT 369** – Patek Philippe Ref. 130. First offered at Antiquorum in 2002, the watch has never reappeared on the market until now. Displaying two hallmarks to the sides of the case, their presence confirms its excellent state of conservation. Its original two-tone silver pulsation sector dial shows some wear and oxidation but is still in remarkable condition considering its 74 years of age.

Sector dials on Patek Philippe chronographs are extremely rare but this piece, combined with a pulsation scale as well, makes this piece one of the most desirable combinations available to discerning collectors. The watch is offered on the market to fund in part a charity project that will provide medical and dental services on a sailing-catamaran free of charge in areas where access to such medical services is difficult or not available at all: The Tooth-Fairy Project.



LOT 369
PATEK PHILIPPE, REF. 130, PULSATION SCALE, SECTOR DIAL, YELLOW GOLD

Estimate: CHF 100,000 - 200,000

HKD 800,000 - 1,600,000 USD 100,000 - 200,000

**LOT 389** Very fine, exceptional and rare Patek Philippe Ref. 7074R; property of a distinguished gentleman, the Ref 5074 was launched in 2002 only in 18K yellow gold available with a silver or a black dial. In 2005 during the Basel Fair, Patek Philippe presented the 18K rose gold version. It is considered the successor to the famous ref. 3974. The mechanism is the same in both references with the exception of the gong which, which in the Ref 5074, goes twice around the watch case in order to give a better and louder sound. This type of gong is called 'cathedral gong'. This particular example has been maintained in perfect condition.



LOT 389
PATEK PHILIPPE, REF. 5074R, PERPETUAL CALENDAR MINUTE REPEATER, PINK GOLD

Estimate: CHF 300,000 - 400,000 HKD 2,400,000 - 3,200,000 USD 300,000 - 400,000

#### **OMEGA**

**LOT 444** Omega Chronometre Tourbillon made in **only 12 examples** for observatory trials. Recently discovered information in the Omega archives has come to light that in the 1980's, this movement was owned by **Mr Franck Muller** himself and that he was the one that finished and assembled the movement. Mr Muller had the dial made by Tille and the case was ordered from the famous casemaker of Patek Philippe cases, among others, to Mr Jean-Pierre Hagmann. We would like to thank the Omega Museum for their help in researching this piece.



LOT 444 OMEGA, CHRONOMETRE A TOURBILLON, YELLOW GOLD

Estimate: CHF 100,000 - 200,000 HKD 800,000 - 1,600,000

USD 100,000 - 200,000

#### F.P. JOURNE

Timepiece like no other in terms of mechanics and elegance, **LOT 427** the Tourbillon Souverain Remontoire d'Egalité, Seconde Morte was made from 2003 to 2018 and is the second generation of Journe tourbillons. Antiquorum is happy to present this watch in very fine conditions with its original fitted box, certificate of authenticity and instruction booklet.

The relatively young brand F.P. Journe keeps building its success and its prestige within circles of watch collectors



LOT 427
FP JOURNE, TOURBILLON REMONTOIR D'EGALITE, SECONDE MORTE,
PINK GOLD DIAL, PINK GOLD

Estimate: CHF 130,000 - 190,000 HKD 1,040,000 - 1,520,000 USD 130,000 - 190,000

#### A. LANGE & SÖHNE

**A rarity in steel**, A. Lange & Söhne Ref. 101.026 Lange 1 **LOT 434** represents the most desireable and rare watch made from the exceptional German Manufacture. According to Antiquorum experts' research, we can consider that there are **less than 30 pieces in steel**. Only few examples surfaced on the market with huge results and great interest from all over the world. The present watch, sold in Milan in 1997, comes from the family of the first owner and has never been on the market or at auction.



LOT 434 LANGE & SOHNE, REF. 101.026, LANGE 1 STEEL, FULL SET

Estimate: CHF 100,000 - 200,000 HKD 800,000 - 1,600,000

USD 100,000 - 1,000,000

Affirming once again its strength, Antiquorum the World's Premier Auctioneers of Modern and Vintage Timepieces, established in Geneva in 1974, is entrusting an exceptional sample of watchmaking history, promising some historical results. All eyes are now turned to May 9<sup>th</sup> in Geneva, the cradle of watchmaking, for this memorable auction.

#### **ABOUT ANTIQUORUM**

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Antiquorum holds auctions in Geneva, Hong Kong and Monaco with previews held in major cities worldwide. With its internationally recognized staff of watch experts providing unsurpassed expertise and services and its dedicated pursuit of innovative auction methods, Antiquorum continues, more than ever before, to make history in time.

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