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Information Booklet

# The Portcullis Auction Room



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## WELCOME TO THE PORTCULLIS AUCTION ROOM

This booklet details all of the general information you should need for buying and selling at our Auction Room, but of course, if you have any questions, please speak to a member of our Team.

We hold monthly sales of Fine Art, Antiques & Collectables at our Auction Room, some of which include specialist Lots of Classic Cars & Automobilia, Sporting & Equestrian goods and Jewellery & Silver. We have entries of approximately 600 Lots per sale with a wide range of hammer prices.

Printed catalogues are available from our Auction Room for £1 or can be viewed and downloaded for free from our website. Selected images are used for advertising to attract a variety of buyers for all items offered for sale.

We offer competitive rates with a friendly and professional service which includes:

- Option to join our Catalogue Mailing List by e-mailing: [fineart@mccartneys.co.uk](mailto:fineart@mccartneys.co.uk)
- Online bidding is available via: [www.thesaleroom.com](http://www.thesaleroom.com) or [easyLiveAuction.com](http://easyLiveAuction.com)
- Telephone Bids & Commission Bids at no additional charge
- Free Appraisal Service by our experienced Valuer
- Our charges are inclusive of all photography & advertising
- Loading and unloading facilities with direct access to the Auction Room.
- Large carpark so a space can always be found on an Auction Day!

## OFFICE OPENING HOURS

The Portcullis Auction Room is closed to the public on Mondays & Fridays, we can be contacted on the telephone on 01584 878822 or via email on [fineart@mccartneys.co.uk](mailto:fineart@mccartneys.co.uk). If you leave a message or send an email we will get back to you as soon as possible.

We are open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays from 9.00am to 4.30pm

## COMMISSION BIDS

Commission Bids must be received prior to the start of the sale.  
They will not be accepted once the sale has commenced.

Commission Bidding Forms can be obtained from the Auction Room office and must be completed clearly with full name, address and contact information and signed.

As Auctioneers we act on the Lot number only, so please ensure that you record the correct Lot number on your form.

We will not be held responsible for incorrect Lot numbers entered on your Bidding Form and where the bid is successful you will be liable.

## TELEPHONE BIDS

Telephone Bids must be registered prior to the sale, with your full name, address and contact information, along with confirmation of which Lot number you wish to bid on.

You will receive a phone call during the auction from one of our Team approximately 2-3 Lots prior to the one you have registered for.

As a rough guide, the Auctioneers usually sell about 100 - 120 Lots per hour, so we should be able to give you an approximate idea of when you will be receiving a call to place your bids.

## THE PORTCULLIS AUCTION ROOM WILL NOT ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:-

Ivory - regardless of age ♦ Rosewood furniture manufactured after 1947  
♦ Firearms ♦ Alcohol ♦ Three-piece suites ♦ Gas Cookers  
♦ Gas/Electric Fires ♦ Electric Blankets ♦ Modern Beds  
Cots ♦ Carrycots ♦ Pushchairs ♦ Prams ♦ Child Car Seats.  
Bicycles ♦ Helmets ♦ Concealed Dangerous Objects ♦ Ladders.

## WE ARE ALSO UNABLE TO ACCEPT UPHOLSTERED ITEMS MADE SINCE 1950 IF THEY DO NOT HAVE THE RELEVANT FIRE SAFETY LABELS:

Sofas ♦ Chairs ♦ Mattresses and Bed Bases/Headboards

## BUYING

**Buyers Premium: 17% + VAT**

Catalogues are available via our website [www.mccartneys.co.uk](http://www.mccartneys.co.uk) or printed catalogues are available on Viewing days and Sale days from the Auction Room Office for £1.00 each.

To bid in the room at one of our sales you must be registered on our Auction Room system. If you have never bought or sold through McCartneys before, you will need to complete a Bidding Number Registration form in the Office prior to the sale commencing. Upon registration you will be issued with a card with your buyer number on. Successful bidders will need to ensure that their number can be clearly seen by the auctioneer.

To bid online at the sale, you will need to register on one of the Online Platforms directly:

[www.thesaleroom.com](http://www.thesaleroom.com) or [easyLiveAuction.com](http://easyLiveAuction.com)

### PAYMENT METHODS

- Direct into our bank account:  
McCartneys LLP Chattels Clients Account  
Sort Code: 40 47 17  
Account Number: 03666417  
*For International Payment please add:*  
BIC: HBUKGB4109U & IBAN: GB36HBUK40471703666417
- Over the Phone: 01584 878822
- Via Cheque or Cash in person at our office

### POSTAGE & PACKING

Please note we do not offer postage and packing services. Please be prepared to arrange your own packing and shipping or collect from us directly on a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday of selected weeks.

### COLLECTION OF LOTS

Lots must be paid for in full and cleared from the Auction Room within one week of the sale. Failure to do so may result in storage or disposal charges.

Lots purchased in the room or via commission or telephone bids can be paid for and collected on the day of the sale and from 9.00am the day following the sale.

Lots successfully bid for through our online platforms **cannot be collected until the day following the sale**. You will be unable to pay for and collect Lots prior to this.

## PORTCULLIS BIDDING CONDITIONS OF SALE

1. The highest price bidder shall be the purchaser subject to the vendor's reserve (if any) and to the right of the Auctioneer to refuse any bid he may think improper. In the event of any dispute as to the last or best bid the decision of the Auctioneer shall be final. All lots are offered for sale subject to any reserve price imposed by the vendor
2. Once a bid is made it cannot be retracted and the bidding shall be regulated by the Auctioneer.
3. The purchaser shall pay the hammer price together with a Buyers premium of 17% PLUS VAT on each Lot purchased. In making a bid the purchaser assents of McCartneys LLP receiving and retaining the premium.
4. All lots are sold as seen and the risk shall pass to the purchaser on the fall of the hammer but no lot may be removed from the premises without a pass from the clerk.
5. Each Purchaser shall be expected to have pre-registered with McCartneys LLP having given McCartneys LLP his/her name and address and if required, pay for the purchase thereof when or otherwise upon conclusion of the sale. Any delayed terms of payment must be agreed with McCartneys LLP in advance.
6. **All lots must be cleared forthwith and in any event by the Thursday following the sale. Any lots which are not cleared in accordance with this condition shall be subject to a storage charge of £5 per day per lot plus VAT and in the event of the purchaser failing to remove any lot upon written notice thereafter the same may be re-sold under the provision on paragraph 8.**
7. Under no circumstances will set-offs or reductions be allowed and removal of lots will not be permitted until paid for in cash or cheque, card or bank transfer. Purchasers placing successful commission bids will be sent accounts which are payable by return (regardless of when the lot is collected) and interest at 15% per annum will be charged on all accounts outstanding 14 days or more after the sale.
8. If a purchaser fails to comply with these conditions McCartneys LLP shall be at liberty to re-sell any lot either by public auction or private treaty and the deficiency (if any) together with all expenses attending such re-sell shall be made good by the purchaser who is in default and who shall have no claim upon McCartneys for any surplus which arises from such re-sale.
9. McCartneys LLP act as agents and all statements made either written or oral on matter of authenticity, origin, age, condition, quality etc. are statement of McCartneys LLP's considered opinion and not representations of fact. Intending purchasers must satisfy themselves, by inspection before the sale, as to all such matters.

## SELLING

Commission Fee: 17% + VAT  
Offering Fee: £2.50 per Lot + VAT  
Insurance: Premium of 1% + VAT

Payments are made by cheque usually within 2 weeks of the sale.

Unsold Lots will automatically be re-entered into the next available sale unless we are advised otherwise. Please note that the Offering Fee is payable whether Lots are sold or unsold so this would incur a further Offering Fee charge. If Lots are unsold after two consecutive sales we would usually ask that these are then collected, please contact the office to discuss.

Any unsold item that you do not wish to be re-entered into the next sale must be collected from the Auction Room at the latest by one week prior to that sale. Failure to do so may result in storage or disposal charges at the Auctioneers discretion.

## VALUATIONS

Our experienced Valuer Daniel Fielder is happy to answer any questions that you may have about pieces you may wish to enter in one of our auctions. We offer a free no obligation sale estimate/appraisal service and appointments can be arranged at our Auction Room or, for larger items, at your own home.

Valuations are also undertaken for the purpose of inheritance tax, insurance and family division - please contact the office for further information.

## CARRIAGE

We do not offer this service but can supply upon request some contact details of Hauliers that have been recommended to us by our customers, who offer House Clearances and transport of items to and from our Auction Room at your own expense. If the Haulier invoices us this will be deducted from gross realisation of any items you have sold or by a separate invoice.

## ELECTRICAL ITEMS

Electrical items in a sale will be subject to Portable Appliance testing with an additional charge of £5.00 + VAT per item.

## PORTCULLIS SELLING TERMS AND CONDITIONS

I confirm that I am able to pass a marketable title to the goods free from encumbrance. I confirm that the goods to be sold comply with the safety regulations made under the Consumer Protection Act 1987 & 2015 and Furniture and Furnishings Fire/Safety Regulations 1988 and 1991. I confirm that the goods entered for sale under the Margin Scheme are eligible goods sold without Input Tax deduction or have otherwise been marked V in the VAT rate code box over. Whenever possible your items will be included in the next available sale, details about your lots can be obtained by telephoning 01584 878822. We advise you that you are responsible for notifying us about your agreement on reserved Lots. We cannot accept responsibility for the prices reached by unreserved Lots which will otherwise be sold to the best offer in the room.

1. I agree to accept the following Terms and Conditions of Agency:  
COMMISSION: 17% plus VAT.  
ALL LOTS are subject to a £2.50 (plus VAT) offering fee even if unsold
2. INSURANCE: the Vendor will be charged a premium of £1 per £100 or part thereof, plus VAT on all Lots.
3. No reserve under £25 except by arrangement.
4. Costs of delivery to the Saleroom is payable by the Vendor, or where charged to us to be deducted from gross realisation.
5. McCartneys LLP accept the goods enumerated on the condition that they are the Vendor's unencumbered property, free of all lien, hire purchase agreement or any other charge.
6. McCartneys LLP shall have lien over unsold items for buying in charges, insurance fee, and any removal charges incurred, as per paras 2, 3 and 5 above.
7. ALL UNRESERVED UNSOLD LOTS ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE VENDOR. IF THEY ARE NOT REMOVED WITHIN 7 DAYS OF NOTIFICATION THEY WILL BE DISPOSED OF AS THE AUCTIONEERS THINK FIT.
8. A vendor who sends for sale by auction any chattels which are an asset to his/her business must disclose to the Auctioneers whether or not he/she is a registered person for VAT purposes and, if so, his/her registration number.
9. Electrical items in a sale will be subject to Portable Appliance Testing. There will be an additional charge of £5.00 plus VAT per item.
10. McCartneys LLP reserve the right to lot items together or singly entirely at their discretion.
11. Vendors will be contacted after the Sale with regards to any unsold lots.
12. THE GOODS TO BE SOLD COMPLY WITH THE SAFETY REGULATIONS MADE UNDER THE CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT 1987 AND FURNITURE AND FURNISHINGS FIRE/SAFETY REGULATIONS 1988 AS AMENDED IN 1989, 1993 AND 2010
13. ANY RESERVED UNSOLD LOTS REOFFERED BY THE AUCTIONEER IN A SUBSEQUENT SALE(S) WILL BE SUBJECT TO AN AUTOMATIC 25% REDUCTION IN RESERVE PRICE
14. I/We accept that any interest received by the auctioneers via their HSBC account number 03666417 from monies derived from the sale of goods in this saleroom between the date of sale and the date of settlement will be retained by McCartneys LLP to balance interest and bank charges charged to them

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**Office Opening Hours:  
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*The Portcullis Auction Room is closed to visitors on Mondays & Fridays apart from the Friday immediately following an Auction, the team can be contacted via email or telephone on these days.*

**Collections & Deliveries:  
9.30am - 4.30pm  
Tuesdays, Wednesdays &  
Thursdays (Selected Weeks)**

**Portcullis Auction Room Sale Dates**  
For forthcoming sales, sale start times and sale viewing information, please visit our website or contact the office for more information.