



Firstly, all of us at the saleroom would like to wish you a Happy and a Healthy New Year. As we progress into 2022, our lives still seem to be affected by the pandemic; in our view this is a state that will not change in the short term. For now, we will therefore continue to have saleroom viewing by appointment only the two days prior to a sale, and sale day bidding only on-line using one of our two bidding platforms, (www.easyliveauction.com and www.the-saleroom.com), or by leaving commission or requesting telephone bids – there will be no live bidding in our saleroom; when this changes we will publicise such on our website.



We would like to thank everyone for their co-operation over the last 18 months in respect of payment and collections. These again continue to be by bank transfer and by appointment.



Our first sale this year will be an Antiques and Interiors sale on Thursday, 27 January. This promises to be a strong sale with good collection of Asian Art being included, predominantly focusing on ceramics. A number of Ming and Kangxi examples will be offered for sale, as well as an armorial export service and a massive Chinese punch bowl.



Royal Worcester Porcelain will again be well represented, by handpainted fruit cabinet examples, pedestal and other vases, tazzas and plates, together with vases by Powell and Stinton.



An unusual painting was recently discovered by Philip Serrell – a watercolour painted in 1964 of ponies in an open paddock by Millard Sheets, who was an American artist based in California. Such is the art market today that the internet and our world-wide bidding platforms should ensure a successful sale result.



April looks like being a diary date for the sale of a fabulous collection of pedal and toy cars, from a private life-time collection of automobilia, with enamel signs, pumps and globes amongst a host of goodies to grace any petrolhead's garage.



As ever, we are more than happy to provide sale valuations and advise on house clearances. The last 18 months have been really busy on this front, and if you feel you may have slipped through the net and we haven't been able to get back to you, please accept our apologies and don't be afraid to telephone the saleroom for an update. The market is particularly strong at the moment for all things 20th century, whether it be signed Royal Worcester handpainted pieces, or original oil paintings and watercolours. Gold and silver from all ages also continues to be in demand.