

Feds Nab Three For Art Conspiracy

SEATTLE, WASH. (AP) — The FBI has arrested three people in what authorities describe as a scheme to sell valuable artwork — including works by Rembrandt and Northwest artist Morris Graves — stolen from Seattle homes.

Kurt Lidtke, the former owner of Kurt Lidtke Galleries in Seattle, was arrested in Bozeman, Mont., on May 11. He previously served a three-year sentence on state charges of art theft, and one of his

alleged co-conspirators in the new case is his former cellmate, a burglar named Jerry Christy. Christy and his wife, Georgia Christy, were arrested at their home in Granite Falls, Wash.

Prosecutors say the three transported stolen artwork — including two paintings by famed Northwest artist Morris Graves, one by Mark Tobey and a Rembrandt etching — to a buyer in Oregon, who was in reality an undercover FBI agent.

ESTATE SALE

Fri. 5/21, 10-4 • Sat. 5/22, 10-2

425 S. Lexington Avenue, White Plains, NY
10606 (south of Bryant Avenue)
e-mail: mythom@aol.com

Vintage hats, cocktail dresses, coats-- some fur; drapes, spreads, jewelry, crystal & more.

Furniture by appt. only

Estate Sale REDDING, CT

Total contents of 3 bedroom house - including designer modern furniture and other quality pieces, modern and nautical art, Nat. Amer. rugs, designer clothes, jewelry, silver, glass, household, kitchenware, tools, more.

All must go.

Friday & Saturday, May 21-22 • 9 to 3

Route 53 to Route 107 to Deer Hill Road

NEWTOWN, CT MOVING SALE

ANTIQUÉ HOME WITH OUT BUILDINGS. ENTIRE CONTENTS Antiques, dining room with chairs, media cupboard, hutch, wine table, sofa, rugs, lamps, bedroom furniture, blanket chest, fine and costume jewelry, vintage clothing, books, kitchen smalls, delft tiles and much more.

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, MAY 21 & 22 • 10-4

POOR HOUSE RD

Conducted by Goods to Go

TAG SALE

Fri & Sat, May 21 & 22, 10-4 • Southport, Ct

Antiques including blanket chests, boxes with inlay, lap desk in boxes, bronze figures, brass candlesticks, andirons, samplers, clocks, paintings by Walcott, Vago & Malmum, tole trays, lamps, baskets, large wardrobe, kitchen scales and woodenware, cut glass, figurines, china, miscellaneous tables, chairs and mirrors, also bedroom set, camel back love seat, sofa, wing chairs, country French dining room table and 6 chairs seats 12, Syracuse china and loads of fine antique miscellaneous. No checks.

Directions: Take I-95 to Southport Exit 19, go to Route 1, go north to River St, opposite Southport Brewery.

Good Riddance Girls • ESTATE TAG SALES

Saturday and Sunday, May 22 and 23 • 10-4

NEW CANAAN, CT.



Selling a fabulous walnut Steinway baby grand piano!! and many other wonderful items from a delightful New Canaan home! Two camelback couches, pair of carved end cabinets & coffee table, carved oriental arm chairs & table with dragon heads! Antique leather top prayer bench, birdcage, Century dining table with 6 Burl queen anne chairs, cabinet and server. Mikasa grande ivory china, tea cart, silver serving pcs., crystal stemware, pr. music room arm chairs, round coffee table, Kidney ladies desk & chair, delightful hand painted cabinet, electric easy chair that stands you up!

Chime clock, Sony TV & cabinet, sleep sofa, victorian twin bed, narrow tall cabinets, leather top old mahogany kneehole desk, cedar chest, fab carved queen four post bed!! Tall elegant spindels and two sets of steps to get up! Antique ladies desk, screen porch full of all weather wicker etc., exercise room with equip., antique trunk, snow shoes, designer purses and smalls, clothes, kitchen, linens, bedroom, tools and garden supplies, bike, cement planters, gum ball machine and lots more! This is just a peek... Come and see what else is there! I saw it ages ago... Much more..

DIRECTIONS: Merritt Parkway Exit 38, Rt 123 North, Right onto Brushy Ridge, Left on Canoe Hill, Left on Ludlowe. NUMBERS SAT. 8:30, ONLY OURS COUNT! Park on one side only please!

Website: www.goodriddancegirls.com/

Minneapolis Institute Of Arts Acquires 'Pot De Monsieur De La Bouexière'

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. — The Minneapolis Institute of Arts (MIA) has purchased at auction an Eighteenth Century Vincennes, celestial blue ewer, known as the "Pot de Monsieur de la Bouexière" (1755-56). The rare ewer will go on display in the MIA's Grand Salon, a period room built for Jean Gaillard de la Bouexière (1676-1759) — the same patron who commissioned the ewer — for the Hôtel del la Bouexière.

"This exquisite porcelain ewer is an important addition to the museum's permanent display," said Kaywin Feldman, director and president of the Minneapolis Institute of Arts. "The ewer provides a link between the patron of the ewer and the hotel. It also speaks to the prevailing taste for Vincennes and Sèvres porcelain in the mid-Eighteenth Century and is an example of the sort of decorative object with which rooms like the salon were decorated."

The ewer was made at the French Royal Porcelain manufacture in Vincennes and may have first been owned by Madame de Pompadour. It masterfully articulates the essence of French porcelain from the period of Louis XV with its extravagant colors and superior ornamental refinement. The white baluster body is encased by bleu céleste foliate forms divided at the sides with curved gilt serrated edges; the front boasts an elaborate gilt scroll cartouche in which a butterfly at rest on a bouquet of flowers is painted.

Eike Schmidt, James Ford Bell curator of decorative arts and sculpture said, "Thanks to the generosity of the Groves Foundation, which donated the Grand Salon from the Hôtel del la Bouexière to the MIA in 1983 and paid for its conservation, we have now been able to add an extremely rare and important piece of Vincennes porcelain to the collection. This ewer will be fittingly displayed adjacent to the entrance of the Grand Salon."

The Minneapolis Institute of Arts is at 2400 Third Avenue South. For information, 612-870-3131 or www.artsmia.org.



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Gana Art Hosts Works By Two Korean Artists

NEW YORK CITY — Gana Art is presenting the work of two very different Korean artists, Sungmi Lee and Sun-Tai Yoo. Both exhibitions will be on view at Gana Art, 568 West 25th Street, through July 3.

Comprising a selection of mixed media works and installations, this will be Sungmi Lee's first solo exhibition in

New York, while Sun-Tai Yoo's debut exhibit in the United States offers seven oil on canvas works.

Having made the transition from Korea to the United States all alone at the age of 15, Sungmi Lee has invested herself in a luminous body of work in multimedia. Lee has reimagined and reshaped unconventional yet everyday materials to transcend their original purpose. Drawn mostly to translucent light materials such as glass, resin, clear beads, tape and smoke, Lee explores the delicate and fleeting nature of her world.

In her early works, Lee captures incense smoke in Plexiglas, and in a separate photographic series, she captures smoke rising from a factory outside her studio as snapshots on film. In her more recent work, Lee mourns the death of her father by paying tribute with delicate and seemingly weightless clear resin flower sculptures. Lee's

only dark-colored works are two-dimensional wood panels covered with beads, black oil paint and clear resin.

Lee received her MFA from the Rinehart School of Sculpture at the Maryland Institute College.

Sun-Tai Yoo's recent paintings depict otherworldly landscapes formed by interwoven objects that are rich in metaphor. While concretely portraying the shapes of richly colored objects such as books, apples, paintings, chairs, vases and even musical notes, Yoo conveys their latent and multifaceted meanings.

Sun-Tai Yoo received his BFA and MFA from Hong-Ik University in Seoul and studied at Paris 8 University and École Nationale Supérieure des Beaux-Art in Paris. His work is in the collection of Art Sonje Center and Walker Hill Art Museum, Seoul, and George Pompidou Center, Paris.

For information, 212-229-5828 or www.ganaart.com.

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