



**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
**The Fine Arts Collection**  
**of Dr. Morris V Shelanski**  
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**Saturday, June 11, 2016, 10AM**

Preview Friday, June 10, 1 PM – 7 PM

Day of Auction, 8AM

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**MORRIS V. SHELANSKI IS A LIFE-LONG COLLECTOR OF FINE ARTS AND ANTIQUES.** He was born to European immigrants and grew up in South Philadelphia during the Depression. Upon graduating from South Philadelphia High School he was awarded a scholarship to Harvard. While studying biochemistry there, he took a humanities course in archeology and ancient civilizations where his passion for classical art was kindled. He went on to medical school, served in the Navy and went to work in Pharmaceutical R&D, holding several important patents in the field. **FROM THE 1950s THROUGH THE 1970s,** he acquired many fine objects in his weekend travels to antique shops on Pine Street and the surrounding Philadelphia suburbs. He bought with unbridled enthusiasm from classic cars to classical arts. He also bought in quantity. Prominent dealer Phil Bradley once remarked that while on a buying outing to Pine Street in the 1960s that he could not buy a single painting because Dr. Shelanski had already bought them all. **THE MAJORITY OF THESE OBJECTS HAVE BEEN IN STORAGE FOR OVER 40 YEARS,** many even longer, some having been packed away upon purchase. **THIS AUCTION CONSISTS OF OVER 150 paintings** from 16th to 20th centuries, over 50 prints & etchings from 17th to 19th centuries, large selection of antique & semi-antique Oriental Carpets, crib quilts, Arts & Crafts oak furniture, period & period style furniture, bronze sculptures, Orientalia, 18th & 19th century rhinoceros horn libation cups, woodenwares, Metalwares, etc.



Important Unknown and Newly Discovered Claude Monet Oil on Board



Renoir Oil on Canvas Portrait



24" Rhino Horn



W. Staples Drown Painting of Fort San Marco



After Edouard Manet Horse Race



Rembrandt Original Etchings



C.E. Kuwasseg European Harbor Scene



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