So far 2013 has been an exciting year at Swann. In January, a sale of illustration art and illustrated books established what will be a new department for us, while our reinstated Old Master Drawings auction drew crowds and much interest for a newly discovered J.M.W. Turner watercolor.

February saw our best winter Vintage Posters auction ever, setting records for images by Art Nouveau master Alphonse Mucha, and love was in the air at our Valentine’s Day auction of African-American Fine Art, where paintings by Barkley L. Hendricks and Hughie Lee-Smith, as well as a sculpture by Elizabeth Catlett, achieved top-dollar results. We wrapped up the month with Fine Photographs, featuring early Asian travel albums and avant-garde modernist images, followed by scarce Early Printed Books.

American and European artists divided the top lots at our March 7 Prints & Drawings auction, and the word of the day at our Writing Instruments sale was Montblanc, Montblanc, Montblanc.

Looking ahead, May is a busy month full of intriguing offerings, including graphic design and typography from the inventory of the late Irving Oaklander, noted bookseller, followed by more scintillating design, typography and graphic art in our sale of modernist posters. Our Contemporary Art sale coincides with Frieze week in New York, and the month concludes with a diverse auction of Autographs.

In early June a sale of Maps & Atlases offers rare items of American interest, and mid-month American Art features paintings and drawings by artists including Milton Avery, Robert Gwathmey and John Singer Sargent. June concludes with well-loved classics in an auction of 19th & 20th Century Literature. Read on for more on our sales this spring.
OLD MASTERTHROUGH MODERN PRINTS MAY 1

This important sale offers high points from the history of printmaking, from rare, museum-quality Old Master prints through works by 20th-century American and European printmakers. Featured artists are Albrecht Dürer, Rembrandt van Rijn, Mary Cassatt, James A.M. Whistler, George Bellows, Edward Hopper, Pablo Picasso and Marc Chagall.

Highlights include an exceptional impression of Dürer’s St. Jerome in his Study, 1514; Francisco Goya’s important and scarce 1825 lithograph, Dibersion de España; George Bellows’s iconic A Stag at Sharkey’s from 1917; and Picasso’s 1959 color linoleum cut, Femme couchée et Homme à la Guitare.

ART, PRESS & ILLUSTRATED BOOKS FEATURING GRAPHIC DESIGN & TYPOGRAPHY FROM THE INVENTORY OF THE LATE IRVING OAKLANDER MAY 9

We are pleased to present the first installment of material from the inventory of the late Irving Oaklander, whose eponymous shop specialized in books on printing, graphic design and typography, both classic and modern. With a strong focus on German and Dutch masters such as Herbert Bayer, Paul Schuitema, Jan Tschichold, Piet Zwart and Hermann Zapf, the sale also contains uncommon works on typography, calligraphy, advertising and book design. There are Russian illustrated books as well as works on Surrealism and other European avant-garde movements; an assortment of scarce private press books; and livres d’artiste such as Picasso’s Le Cocu Magnifique, 1968, one of only 200 copies with numerous etchings.

H.N. Werkman, design for Charles Péguy’s Prière pour nous autres charnels, from the De Blauwe Schuit series, Heereveen, 1941. $1,000 to $2,000.
MODERNIST POSTERS  MAY 13

This much-anticipated annual auction boasts typography masterpieces, early 20th-century exhibition and product promotions and more recent posters for recognizable and alluring brands. Theo van Doesburg and Kurt Schwitters’s *Kleine Dada Soirée*, 1922 and Tadanori Yokoo’s *Having Reached a Climax at the Age of 29, I was Dead*, 1965 are among the diverse highlights, as are selections from the personal collection of Frederick H.K. Henrion, noted mid 20th-century graphic artist. Other featured designers include A.M. Cassandre, Ludwig Hohlwein, Erik Nitsche, Max Pechstein and Paul Rand.

CONTEMPORARY ART  MAY 16

Features an impressive assortment of contemporary prints, paintings, drawings and sculpture by artists including Josef Albers, Francis Bacon, Alexander Calder, Chuck Close, Jim Dine, Keith Haring, David Hockney, Robert Indiana, Roy Lichtenstein, Robert Motherwell, Robert Rauschenberg, Wayne Thiebaud and Andy Warhol.

AUTOGRAphs MAY 23

This late May auction offers autographs from musicians, scientists, artists, statesmen and more. The large assortment of autographs from important writers includes Jack Kerouac, Oscar Wilde, Lord Byron and a letter from Emily Dickinson, in which she compares the conflict between the biblical Jacob and Esau to the skirmish in her mind.

A strong group of presidential autographs includes an autograph letter signed by Thomas Jefferson in 1822 to James Madison, in which he criticizes Russia’s Emperor, Alexander I, and recommends that he enter into a war with Turkey; and a letter signed by our first President, written from Valley Forge in 1778, summoning provisions for a future campaign.

Photograph signed by Ronald Reagan, Nancy Reagan and Lucky, original artwork used for greeting cards, 1984-85. $700 to $1,000.

MAPS & ATLASes, NATURAL HISTORY & HISTORICAL PRINTs, EPHEMERA JUNE 6

Important maps of America include Henry Schenck Tanner’s large United States of America, 1829; Ralph Hall’s Virginia, 1636; Jodocus Hondius’s America, 1619; and Theodor de Bry’s Americae, 1590. Of local New York interest are John Randel Jr’s final Commissioner’s map of 1821, printed on satin, as well as three 19th-century views of New York City and David Burr’s An Atlas of the State of New York, 1839.

Natural history and graphics highlights include double elephant folio birds by John James Audubon and a hand-colored print of Currier & Ives’s “High Water” in the Mississippi, 1868.

Linschoten / Langren, Delineatio Omnium Oarum Totius Australis Partis Americae (detail), Amsterdam circa 1594. $5,000 to $7,500.
AMERICAN ART
JUNE 13

This stand-alone sale includes paintings and drawings by American artists such as Thomas Hart Benton, Charles E. Burchfield, Paul Cadmus, Jared French, Robert Gwathmey, Childe Hassam, Blanche Lazzell, Diego Rivera, John Singer Sargent, Everett Shinn, Joseph Stella and Abraham Walkowitz.

Among highlights are an 1882 Childe Hassam pen and ink drawing of an East Hampton home, and George Bellows’s 1916 drawing, Sunday in the Park.

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Among earlier items is an array of works by English graphic humorists, including George Cruikshank’s *Table-Book*, complete in the original parts and signed by him, as well as attractive examples of George Eliot, Rudyard Kipling, Mary Shelley and Mark Twain. Also featured are several serialized Charles Dickens titles. Handsome sets and bindings and a good selection of children’s literature round out the sale.

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Howard Chandler Christy, *Patriotic League*, 1918. $1,000 to $1,500.

Ernest Hemingway, *In Our Time*, first limited edition, Paris, 1924. $25,000 to $35,000. At auction June 20.


This year marks the 100th anniversary of the famed 1913 Armory Show. Originally held in the 69th Regiment Armory at Lexington and 25th Street, just across from Swann's current location, the historic exhibition included works of Impressionism, Fauvism and Cubism.

In conjunction with the centennial, Swann will conduct an October sale featuring the artists from the 1913 show. We are currently accepting consignments of works by Archipenko, Bellows, Bluemner, Cassatt, Cézanne, Degas, Delacroix, Duchamp, Gauguin, Glackens, van Gogh, Goya, Hassam, Hopper, Léger, Luks, Manet, Matisse, Munch, Picasso, Pissarro, Prendergast, Redon, Renoir, Seurat, Sloan, Stella, Toulouse-Lautrec, Vallotton, Villon, Vuillard, Whistler and Zorach, and others in the historical exhibition that introduced Modern Art to New York City and America.

The deadline to consign is July 15. Contact Todd Weyman, Director, Prints & Drawings.

Alfred H. Maurer, Fauve Nude, oil on canvas, 1906, $60,000 to $90,000. At auction October 2013.
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