

Highlights from Theriault's Summer Auction

Theriault's annual summer auction, held in Anaheim, CA, offered a wide variety of dolls and toys from ranging from an important collection of French dolls and German characters to affordable soft toys and a one person collection of early Raggedy Ann's. It was standing room only for this one day sale (although seating opened up when the hot fudge sundaes were delivered).

We have always marveled at the beautiful displays of dolls and learned from Florence Theriault that dolls are staged back in Annapolis and photographed in position which facilitates setting up for the auction. Prices shown below do not include the buyer's premium.



Suzanne Amaryllis, a 14" Rohmer with a signed trunk and trousseau, brought \$19,000. The doll came from its original estate in Rouen, France where it resided for 150 years.



In the foreground, a rare brown French art character by Van Rozen dressed as a Marquis, 14 inches, \$20,000. The large French musical automaton "Flower Seller" by Gustav Vichy, brought \$27,000.

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A circa 1820's papier mache, made for the French market, wearing her original costume with early transfer print designs on the skirt, and an elaborate embroidered apron, \$5,400.



Bru Brevete, size 3, 19 inches, perfect bisque hands, \$15,500.



A very special bear by Steiff, this is the earliest model made, c. 1900-1901, with metal rod armature, 17 inches tall, \$21,000.



Mothereau, size 9, 24 inches, c. 1885, \$19,000.



Very few of these Raggedy Ann's by the Exposition Doll and Toy Company were ever made. Circa 1935, this rare example brought \$4,000.



Mignonette by Simon & Halbig for the French market, c. 1880, 7-1/2 inches tall, original dress, \$6,000.



Due to a hidden break that is hidden by his wig, this 22 inch Karl, mold 107 by Kammer and Reinhardt, was an opportunity at \$17,000.

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A series G Steiner, 29 inches tall, with its distinctive turned up nose, sold for \$25,000.



The auction top lot was this exceedingly rare Halopeau Bebe, 4 inches, marked 4 H, ex-collection Lucy Morgan, \$65,000.



This impressive 26-inch Tete Jumeau in original dress regalia as Tsar Alexander III commemorates the signing of the Franco-Russian alliance in 1892. An exhibition doll, it remained in the original family since its making. It realized \$23,000.