

*Our Team of Professional Valuers will visit you at home*

Much of our time is spent visiting clients at home or discussing items at the auction room. Even if you aren't sure of an item's value, we always prefer to take a look. There is no obligation to sell, should you change your mind. Our combined knowledge of the market adds up to some hundred years of experience. We want you to take advantage of our expertise.



Jack Vettriano OBE, Dance Me to the End of Love, Oil on Canvas  
Sold £346,000

Phoebe Anna Traquair (1852-1936)  
LOVE AND THE CHALICE, Gold Leaf, gesso and oil on panel  
Sold £30,000



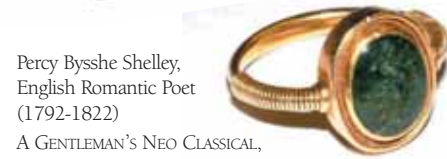
A Rare  
Wemyss Ware Sleeping Piglet  
Sold £14,700



Adam De Colone (1613)  
SIR WILLIAM STEWART OF GRANDTULLY  
Sold £52,930



Sir Robert Lorimer  
A WALNUT HEXAGONAL  
DISPLAY TABLE  
Sold £22,350



Percy Bysshe Shelley,  
English Romantic Poet  
(1792-1822)  
A GENTLEMAN'S NEO CLASSICAL,  
GEORGIAN PERIOD 'FINE GOLD' RING,  
by family tradition once worn by Percy Bysshe Shelley  
Sold £9,410



Sam Bough ARSA, RSA, RSW, CADZOW FOREST, Oil on Canvas  
Sold £70,575

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**The Auction**



an introduction to buying & selling at Auction

# SHAPES

## Your Gateway to the International Art Market

Welcome to Shapes Auctioneers, one of Scotland's leading independent auction houses. We handle over 1000 lots of antiques and fine art each month, with a name in Scottish business which has stood for excellence for a quarter of a century.

We have recruited specialists with a wealth of experience ranging from silver, ceramics and paintings to Oriental rugs and furniture.

To ensure that we achieve the best possible price for your antiques, our advertising and marketing uses the traditional media as well as the Internet. Our clients also benefit from the database which we have developed, incorporating tens of thousands of buyers, both at home and overseas. To promote each auction, high quality printed catalogues are distributed to buyers worldwide.

In a market previously dominated by London-based firms, we represent a Scottish voice in the world of auctioneering.

### Selling with Security & Simplicity

Once a valuation has been given and a decision is made to enter items for auction, we provide you with a full and detailed receipt and arrange for collection. Because we use only *our own* trained carriage staff and removals vehicles you can be sure that your property will be carefully handled and safely transported to the auction room.

### Fast & Efficient Service

Shapes sales are held on *the last Saturday of every month*, with four specialist seasonal *Fine Sales* per year.

We've found that Saturday sales attract a much wider public. It's also worth remembering that we are unique in offering a Thursday 'late evening viewing' to make life easier for private buyers, especially those of us with work and family commitments. Absentee buyers can bid by telephone or e-mail.

**If you wish, you can bring items into our auction room for valuation. We are open six days a week, from Monday to Saturday.**

Specialists are always on hand to give sales advice, and as long as you enter items by the tenth of the month, we can usually have them entered into the next auction - and sold - within just a few weeks.



## The Valuation & Sale of Family Estates

We are experienced in dealing with the *complete* contents of a home, and qualified to provide formal Certificates of Valuation for **probate, family division or taxation purposes.**

## Insurance Valuations

Many insurance companies demand that a professional valuation is made of valuable antiques, especially if you possess inherited items for which there is no formal receipt.

A valuation can lead to cheaper insurance premiums, prevent you being penalised for under-insurance and probably speed the settlement of your claim. Our room-by-room inventory and valuations can be accompanied by photographs, offering both peace of mind, and 'proof of possession'.

## A Comprehensive Service for Legal and Property Professionals

Our highly experienced Legal Liaison understands the precise requirements and complexities involved in executry and private client matters. Each assignment is allocated to a senior member of our team, ensuring close personal supervision, and a constant point of contact, throughout all levels of the auction process.

