

Quality Furniture for Less

Welcome to Michaan's Auctions Quality for Less blog series, a set of posts that highlight some of the great finds available at our monthly Annex Auctions. In this series, we will highlight a few examples of furniture and other home goods recently sold at Michaan's Annex Auction and compare them with their supposed equivalent from big retail options such as IKEA, Wayfair, and others.

Moving into a new apartment or home today is a difficult and expensive process. After the stress of a housing search, cleaning a new space, and unpacking boxes, it's difficult to find the time and resources to furnish a new home. Worse yet, many affordable furniture options from big retailers are

constructed of increasingly flimsy, low-quality materials and often require replacement within the first few years. Your grandparents turned out to be right when they said, "Things just aren't built like they used to be."

Luckily quality options from years past are still available at Michaan's Annex Auctions. Every month, we sell hundreds of gently used furniture pieces, each featuring a unique and beautifully crafted design that will last decades longer than the modern alternative. Better yet, gently used furniture from Michaan's Auctions regularly sells at much lower prices than in-store options.

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Annex Highlights

The first item offered at Michaan's Auctions January Annex Auction was an **Asian Leg Low Table**, which was Lot 2105 in the sale. The coffee table could have sold for **\$39**, an extremely friendly price when compared to options retail heavyweights such as IKEA or Crate & Barrel. The **Asian Leg Low Table** features beautifully sculpted table legs which add elegance to an agreeable design. The table features a raised border, to prevent items from falling to the floor and limiting spills to the table. It would also allow for the new owner to insert a protective glass top if desired, further

increasing the table's versatility. The table is finished with a beautiful dark stain which makes it easily compatible with a variety of design themes. It is in excellent condition and constructed of beautiful solid wood that will last for years to come.

Also offered at Michaan's Auctions January Annex Sale was a **Contemporary Ebonized Dining Table** as Lot 2079. Selling for \$500, this dining table is an incredible deal when compared to the competition. At Wayfair a comparable table, the Jamonte Solid Wood Dining Table sells for \$1499.99, while at IKEA the INGATORP, which matches the price of



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the Michaan's Auctions option, is a utilitarian design that is likely to quickly degrade with use. Meanwhile, at Michaan's Auctions, the **Contemporary Ebonized Dining Table** features a sleek, modern design, with beautifully elongated legs and a large table surface. This beautiful design is complemented by sturdy construction which will withstand the demanding use of a young couple or family. While the table features a few minor imperfections on the surface due to previous use, the item is in good shape and will continue to provide outstanding service over the coming years.

Next Sale

As you can see, Michaan's Auctions Annex Sales can offer a higher quality item for a lower price than major retailers. Registration and bidding are

intuitive processes and can be done 100% online! You don't even need to watch the auction, simply submit an absentee or online bid, and check back at the end of the sale to see if you've won the item.

The February Annex Auction is being held Monday, February 12th; Tuesday, February 13th; and Wednesday, February 14th. This venue gives collectors a wide variety of jewelry, fine art, decorative arts, furniture, Asian art, stamps, and coins to choose from. The auction includes over 2,500 lots, most estimated under \$300.

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