

Quality Furniture for Less



Welcome to our blog series which highlights some of the great finds available at Michaan's Auctions 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 a big retail option such as IKEA, Wayfair, and others.

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.

Annex Highlights

First up is a **Provincial Style Dresser**, which sold for \$100 in our February Annex Auction. This dresser features beautiful hardware that is constructed of durable metal, reminding you of its quality with every interaction

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with the piece. This quality is also evident in the cabinet's finish, which is an elegant luster that catches the light while emphasizing the wood's grain. The top of the dresser is cut into a scalloped finish which lends a feeling of sophistication to the piece, further enhanced by the carved corners and feet. There is plenty of storage within the dresser, which efficiently uses the available space, perfect for an apartment or small room.

Second is the **Mahogany Empire Style, Tall Chest of Drawers with Gilt Metal Mounts**, which sold for \$60 on the second day of our February Annex Auction. This dresser features an additional flat drawer in comparison to traditional designs, allowing for additional organizational space, while only slightly increasing the height of the piece. Other highlights include intricately molded

hardware with fine details and the addition of black columns with golden crowns to the edges of the frame, which match the black trim around the edge of the surface. Curved feet add height to the design and make cleaning a breeze, while the beautiful color and grain of the wood are emphasized by its careful choice of stain.

Finally, we come to the **Mid Century Modern Style Ten Drawer Dresser**, which sold for \$200 on the final day of our February Annex Auction. This dresser boasts a significant amount of storage space,



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with two sets of five drawers, making this perfect for couples or those with a large wardrobe. The modern style of handles allows for easy opening and closing while reducing the nooks and crannies which can hide dust. Rounded edges to the top surface prevent painful bumps and bruises, a welcome feature for customers with small children. The piece also includes wood paneling with beautiful grain evident throughout the piece.

Each of these pieces far exceeds the quality of options from big retail sellers such as Wayfair and IKEA. For example, the KOPPANG dresser from IKEA sells for \$259.99 but features a lackluster design which is further weakened by its use of subpar materials such as fiberboard. Meanwhile items with contemporary design, such as the Isanti 6 Drawer Dresser from Ashley Furniture cost \$999.99, and still feature

excessive use of manufactured wood products such as veneer, rather than the full wood you can expect at Michaan's Auctions.



Next Sale

As you can see, Michaan's Annex Auctions 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.

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The March Annex Auction is being held Monday, March 11th; Tuesday, March 12th; and Wednesday, March 13th. 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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