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Fu Baoshi Scroll Wandering Poet, Stellar Jades Star in Michaan's December Fine Asian Works of Art Auction

Fu Baoshi's (1904-1965) paintbrush masterfully transforms a paper scroll into a candid snapshot of reflection in the ink and color work *Wandering Poet*, highlighting fine artworks in the December sale (lot 3197, \$200,000-300,000). The poet/scholar is created in detailed, finely painted brush strokes as opposed to his surroundings, of wild and free strokes with areas of modulation. Baoshi's hand whispers the Zen nature and refinement of the man, even while wandering the untamed natural environment. However, the subject remains in harmony with the forest setting, which is further conveyed by the subdued color scheme that both share. Baoshi finished the piece with three artist seals, one accompanied by a dedication to the consignor's mother, Mrs. Shum Wai Yu. Also of note from the selections is Luo Pin's ink and color depiction of Zhong Kui at \$50,000-70,000 (lot 3184), a Zhang Daqian hanging scroll titled *Zhuangzi Viewing Waterfalls* estimated at \$40,000-60,000 (lot 3195) and a Pu Ru scroll deemed *Prunus and Bamboo* at \$5,000-7,000 (lot 3191).



Private collection jades seem sure to enchant the most discriminating of collectors, providing an exceptional assortment of carvings at sale. The private estate offerings include a white jade brush pot of auspicious imagery of the Qianlong period (lot 3068, \$200,000-300,000), a substantial table screen (lot 3067, \$100,000-150,000), a mythical horse of white jade (lot 3065, \$30,000-50,000), an unusual pair of ovoid lanterns with carnelian insets (lot 3063, \$30,000-50,000), a lion mask motif tripod censer (lot 3066, \$10,000-15,000) and a lavender jadeite vase of floral motifs carved in high relief (lot 3061, \$6,000-8,000). From yet another private collection are pleasing snuff bottle examples in a mutton fat white jade piece of the 19th century (lot 3002, \$4,000-6,000), a russet jade pebble rendition (lot 3005, \$3,000-5,000) and a yellow jadeite melon form vessel (lot 3006, \$3,000-5,000).

Fine porcelains will also be sold at a range of price points. Auction spotlights include a set of four famille rose porcelain plaques from the Studio of Wang Qi at \$100,000-120,000 (lot 3169), a large famille rose vase of natural subject matters estimated at \$5,000-7,000 (lot 3157) and a vase of a striking and finely painted peacock by Cheng Yunnong at \$3,000-5,000 (lot 3160).

A trio of lots of refined furnishings crafted in huanghuali wood will also offer rarities in décor. A square kang table circa the 17th/18th century is estimated at \$40,000-60,000 (lot 3124). From the Naomi Lindstrom Collection is a suite of four side chairs made of the coveted material at \$30,000-50,000 (lot 3123). Lastly, is a classic horseshoe back armchair of the 20th century, projected at \$15,000-20,000 (lot 3126).

Additionally, exciting and remarkable textiles and works of art made from precious metals will present additional categories of excellence in the approximate two hundred lot sale. For more information on Michaan's December Fine Asian Works of Art auction, please call Asian Art Specialist Harry Huang at (510) 227-2535 or e-mail at harry@michaans.com. Michaan's Auctions is located at 2751 Todd Street, Alameda, CA 94501.

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