

POST-SALE PRESS RELEASE: THE BEATLES COLLECTION - OMEGA AUCTIONS WARRINGTON, 22 MARCH 2016

AUCTION ACHIEVES TOTAL OF £205,000

'HOLY GRAIL' ACETATE, JOHN LENNON PHOTOGRAPHS AND RUSSELL BEATLE MEMORABILIA LOTS ALL ACHIEVE OUTSTANDING RESULTS.

On 22 March 2016, Omega Auctions' The Beatles Collection achieved impressive results totalling £205,000. The highest price of the day was the proclaimed Beatles 'Holy Grail' acetate, which Brian Epstein had cut in 1963. The acetate featuring the writing of Brian Epstein attracted fierce competition from bidders worldwide including China, US, Germany and the UK, eventually selling for £77,550 against a £10,000 estimate.

Throughout the sale bidders from across the world demonstrated the continued demand for Beatles memorabilia.

The auction proclaimed an impressive number of rare and unusual Beatles records, with many lots exceeding their estimates including a Please Please Me Black Gold Stereo factory sample selling for £4700 against an estimate of £800.

The Russell Beatle collection of memorabilia sold for £4935 ((estimate £3,000). The memorabilia was consigned by Russell Beatle himself (Mr R. Jamieson) the youngest and only 'Honorary Member of the Beatles Fan Club.'

The John Lennon photographs from the set of 'How I Won The War', which painted an intimate picture of Lennon during a troubling time for the Beatle, realised £51,700 against an estimate of £20,000.

Also of note was a 7" pressing by Tony Sheridan & The Beatles entitled 'My Bonnie' with 1961 press release selling for £999 against an estimate of £100.

Auctioneer Paul Fairweather said "It has been a fantastic sale with some incredible prices. It was a privilege to sell the acetate and the amazing price it realised is testament to its historical importance. I'm looking forward already to our next Beatles sale in September to see if we can find anything to beat this, although it will take something extra special!"

### **More Information**

Our next Beatles Collection at Omega Auctions will be held on the 13 September 2016. Items for this sale must be consigned prior to 26 August.

### **Contact**

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\* pre-sale estimates do not include buyer's premium. Sales totals are hammer price plus buyer's premium.

### **About Omega Auctions**

Omega Auctions family run auction house with offices in Warrington and Stockport (Cheshire) specialising in the sale of Music Memorabilia and Vinyl Records.