



Pacific Art from the Collection of Harry A. Franklin

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Sotheby's is delighted to announce the auction of Pacific Art from the Collection of Harry A. Franklin, to be presented alongside the major auctions of Contemporary Art and Impressionist and Modern Art at Sotheby's newly-renovated New York headquarters in May.

Harry A. Franklin was a pioneer in his field, as one of the first to champion the Art of Africa, Oceania, and the Americas in California as he promoted this art to a new audience of West Coast American collectors in the postwar period. Franklin's collection has had a long association with Sotheby's, having made auction history in 1990 with the record-breaking sale of his African collection at Sotheby's New York.

Harry A. Franklin's impressive collection of Pacific Art has been kept in the Franklin family since his passing in the early 1980s, and includes a deep selection of sculpture from the ancient island cultures of Oceania including works from New Zealand and the Polynesian islands, and Melanesia, particularly Papua New Guinea. Notably this includes a number of works which Harry Franklin acquired directly in the legendary 1966 auction of the collection of Helena Rubinstein at Sotheby Parke Bernet in New York. The appearance of the Franklin Collection at auction represents a rare opportunity for collectors to acquire pieces which have not been seen on the art market in half a century.

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MAORI PENDANT (HEI TIKI)

LOT SOLD: 27,500 USD

2
MAORI SHORT CLUB (PATU ONEWA)

LOT SOLD: 7,500 USD

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4
MAORI LONG CLUB (TEWHATEWHA)

LOT SOLD: 12,500 USD



6
THROWING CLUB (I ULA TAVATAVA)

LOT SOLD: 4,375 USD



7
YAQONA BOWL (TANOA)



8
MAORI SHORT CLUB (MERE POUNAMU)

LOT SOLD: 18,750 USD



9
CLUB ('U'U)

LOT SOLD: 212,500 USD



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POUNDING TABLE (PAPAHIA)

LOT SOLD: 6,000 USD



11
MAORI LONG CLUB (TAIAHA)

LOT SOLD: FILTERS 10,625 USD





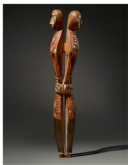
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MAORI PENDANT (PEKAPEKA)

LOT SOLD: 37,500 USD



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WESTERN ELEMA AMULET OR CHARM (MARUPAI)

LOT SOLD: 3,750 USD



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MASSIM DOUBLE FIGURE

LOT SOLD: 3,000 USD



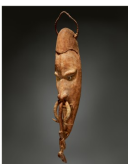
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IATMUL GABLE MASK

LOT SOLD: 27,500 USD



17
POUNDER OR CEREMONIAL MALLET

LOT SOLD: 5,000 USD



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WESTERN IATMUL SPIRIT MASK (MAI)



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IATMUL SUSPENSION HOOK

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IATMUL DRUM FILTERS

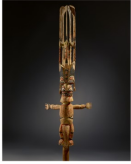
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21
MASK



22
FIGURE FOR MALAGAN



23
MASK FOR KIPONG



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TOLAI MASK



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PANEL FOR MALAGAN



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ANCESTOR FIGURE (ULI)

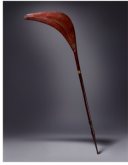


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27
PAIR OF SACRED FLUTE FIGURES, PROBABLY SAWOS OR
IATMUL



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28
PARRYING SHIELD OR CLUB (QAUATA)

LOT SOLD: 10,625 USD



29
CLUB (KILA)

LOT SOLD: 2,750 USD



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DANCE CLUB (NAPA)

LOT SOLD: 3,250 USD



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MURIK HOOK FIGURE



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CANOE PROW (NAHO)

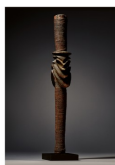


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MASK (TSUBWAN)

LOT SOLD: 300,000 USD



34
MASK



35
JANIFORM SPEAR FORESHAFT
FILTERS



36
MAORI SHORT CLUB (PATU ONEWA)

LOT SOLD: 6,000 USD



38
MAORI PENDANT (HEI TIKI)

LOT SOLD: 12,500 USD



39
MAORI DANCING FIGURE



40
MAORI TREASURE BOX (WAKA HUIA)



41
MAORI CANOE BAILER (TIHERU, TATA, OR TA WAI)

LOT SOLD: 25,000 USD



42
MAORI GABLE FIGURE (TEKOTEKO)

LOT SOLD: 740,000 USD



44
SCULPTURE, EASTER ISLAND

45
MURIK MASK FILTERS



46
MURIK MASK

LOT SOLD: 10,625 USD

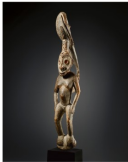


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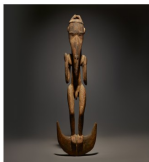
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MURIK AMULET FIGURE

LOT SOLD: 9,375 USD



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IATMUL FLUTE ORNAMENT

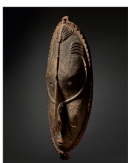
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HOOK FIGURE, POSSIBLY EASTERN IATMUL

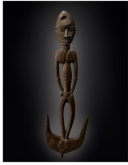


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KOMINIMUNG SHIELD (NGAKE)



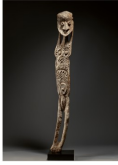
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MASK

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SAWOS OR IATMUL SUSPENSION HOOK (SAMBAN)

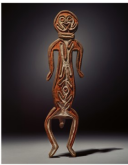
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54
INYAI-EWA SPIRIT FIGURE



55
IATMUL WAR SHIELD



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FIGURE (BIOMA OR AGIBA)

LOT SOLD: 10,625 USD



57
KEREWA SKULL RACK (AGIBA)

LOT SOLD: 32,500 USD



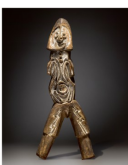
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SPIRIT FIGURE

LOT SOLD: 11,875 USD



59
SPIRIT FIGURE

LOT SOLD: 11,875 USD



60
IWAINO FIGURE
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LOT SOLD: 3,500 USD



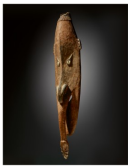
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SPIRIT FIGURE

LOT SOLD: 12,500 USD

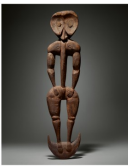


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FOOD BOWL

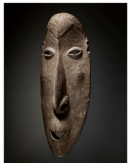
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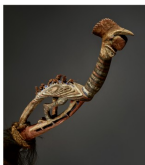
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EASTERN IATMUL SPIRIT MASK (MAI)



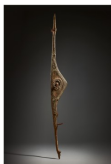
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SUSPENSION HOOK FIGURE



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MASK, PROBABLY IATMUL



66
IATMUL CEREMONIAL LIME CONTAINER (BANDI NA IAVO)



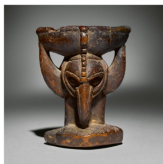
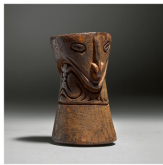
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IATMUL SPEAR THROWER (MINO TYPE)

LOT SOLD: 4,375 USD

68
IATMUL SPEAR THROWER (MINO TYPE)

LOT SOLD: 5,625 USD

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BOSMAN AMULET FIGURE

LOT SOLD:

32,500 USD

70

CANOE PROW MASK

LOT SOLD:

21,250 USD

71

SAWOS SUSPENSION HOOK (SAMBAN)

LOT SOLD:

37,500 USD

72

JANIFORM MORTAR

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JANIFORM MORTAR

LOT SOLD:

4,750 USD

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CEREMONIAL BOWL

LOT SOLD:

6,250 USD

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HAND DRUM

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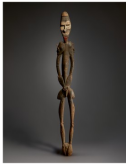


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IATMUL SLIT GONG BEATER

LOT SOLD: 2,000 USD



77
WATER DRUM



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IATMUL ANCESTOR FIGURE



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EIGHT DAGGERS

LOT SOLD: 3,750 USD



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ABELAM ANCESTRAL SPIRIT FIGURE (NGWALNDU)

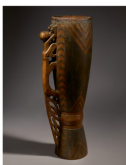


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ABELAM PAINTING FROM A CEREMONIAL HOUSE

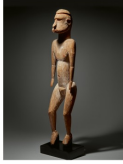


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SIX ABELAM YAM MASKS (BAPA MENE)

LOT SOLD: 4,000 USD



83
HAND DRUM
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84
ASMAT ANCESTOR FIGURE



85
BROAD SHIELD



86
BROAD SHIELD

LOT SOLD: 10,000 USD



87
VESSEL (COOLAMON)

LOT SOLD: 1,625 USD