

Happenings for The Palm Beach Show Group

The Baltimore Summer Antiques Show
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The Palm Beach Show Group (PBSG) has a very exciting year ahead of them. First, the PBSG's thirty-second Baltimore Summer Antiques Show will be taking place from August 23rd through August 26th. Maryland's largest antiques event and the largest indoor antique show in the country, the Baltimore show features more than 575 international exhibitors and attracts tens of thousands of patrons. Returning exhibitor Michael Teller of TK Asian Antiquities says, "The selection, quality, and attendance gets better every year." Exhibitor space is sold out for the upcoming show and Scott Diament, the CEO of the PBSG, expects a twenty to thirty percent increase in guest attendance.

With items ranging from antiquities through the twentieth-century, there is something for everyone. Main attractions of the show include a very strong silver presence, over thirty dealers specializing in Japanese and Chinese art, and a selection of antique and fine estate jewelry that is unrivaled in quality and quantity. The Baltimore Summer Antiques Show also includes The Antiquarian Book Fair where ninety dealers will offer rare books, first editions, fine manuscripts, autographs, and unusual bibliographic material. Diament says, "It would take a lifetime of travel to see what you can see in Baltimore over a four day period. The breadth and depth of the show is enormous, and we bring it all to one place at one time."

The PBSG added another successful show to its roster as it has acquired the Los Angeles Art Show from the Fine Art Dealers Association (FADA). The acquisition includes the Los Angeles Fine Art Show: Modern & Contemporary and the simultaneous Los Angeles Fine Art Show: Historic & Traditional. Created by FADA more than seventeen years ago, the Los Angeles Art Show is one of the longest running venues for contemporary, modern, and traditional art in the country. Bettine Tasende, president of FADA, says, "We are confident the Palm Beach Show Group has the necessary enthusiasm and infrastructure to grow this event properly." Plans for the show include the expansion of Modern and Contemporary components, an area in which the PBSG projects a mass potential.

Recognized as an industry leader, Scott Diament makes his television debut on "Dealers" a sixty-minute series that aired recently on the DiscoveryUK network. Diament is one of five international traders competing to land the best deal on an eclectic mix of art, antiques, and collectibles brought to them by members of the general



CLOCKWISE FROM UPPER LEFT
Royal Vienna-style porcelain covered vase featuring two historical scenes painted by W. Schiendler, circa 1880. Photo courtesy of M.S. Rau Antiques, exhibitors at the Baltimore Summer Antiques Show.

Montague Dawson (1895-1973) *The Crest of a Wave*. Oil on canvas. Image courtesy of Rehs Galleries, exhibitors at the Baltimore Summer Antiques Show.

Scott Diament, far left, with the cast of DiscoveryUK's "Dealers."

Handmade platinum ring set with a 7 ct + Oval cut Fancy Yellow diamond, flanked with a matching pair of White half moons. Image courtesy of Rosenberg Diamonds & Co., exhibitors at the Baltimore Summer Antiques Show.



public. David Tiballs, "Dealers" executive producer says, "The series has launched extremely well. Since the debut, the UK ratings have quadrupled. We will continue to air around the world as it rapidly achieves success." The rising popularity of shows such as "Dealers" has spawned an international collectible craze and has piqued more people's interest in art, antiques, and jewelry which is a wonderful benefit to the industry's liveliness. **AFAN**