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Inspirational Cotswolds Fair at Westonbirt School

The Cotswolds Decorative Antiques & Fine Art Fair Westonbirt School, near Tetbury, Gloucestershire GL6 8QG $12^{th} - 14^{th}$ August 2011

The Cotwsolds' favourite fair for classic and decorative antiques, period accessories and fine art returns to Westonbirt School near Tetbury from $12^{th} - 14^{th}$ August 2011. The Cotswolds Decorative Antiques & Fine Art Fair features unusual English, European and Oriental antiques, classic silver and jewellery, original 20th century designs and works of art from all periods to the present day.



A fine and decorative pair of 17th century Northern Italian carved limeswood pricket candlesticks. £750. From Mayflower Antiques.

'It's a fair that inspires everyone', explains organiser Sue Ede, 'if you are looking for a Tibetan statue, Persian carpet, classic Blue & White vase, Victorian engagement ring, modern painting or Georgian writing desk we have fifty exhibitors with something sure to tempt.'

The variety of art and antiques on offer, from dealers at every level of the trade, ensures the



fair has a very broad appeal. Showing for the first time will be Mayflower Antiques from Bewdley, specialising in 16th and 17th century furniture, silver and collector's items, and Phoenix Fine Art from Cheshire, specialising in early English watercolours by artists including David Cox and John Varley. In contrast, Art of the Imagination from Salisbury return with works of art by well-known artists such as Paul Kidby, who has recently illustrated the Discworld novels of Terry Pratchett, and Ernest Shepherd, who is famous for his drawings of

A pen and ink drawing of Pooh and Piglet, where Pooh is holding up a 'Vote of Thank You' and Piglet has an auctioneer gavel at the ready. By E.H.Shepherd. From Art of the Imagination. £25,000. Winnie the Pooh in the original books.

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Full of colourful pieces will be the stand of Fu Ts'ang Lung Oriental Antiques from Yorkshire, showing an array of Buddhist collectables, Chinese carvings and Japanese drawings. Hassan Alabaf from Middlesex shows Persian rugs and carpets dating from the early 19th century onwards while Bristol dealer Brian Ashbee has a stand of unusual furniture, ceramics and objets d'art. Plaza from Cheshire offer a glittering selection of 19th



and 20th century fine jewellery and silver.

Again, new to the fair will be Rivington Decorative Arts from Lancashire, specialising in Art Nouveau and Art Deco bronze sculpture and glass. More traditional will be the stand of Mark Seabrook Antiques from Cambridgeshire, specialising in early English oak and contemporary furniture and metalwork. Stow dealer Kenulf Fine Art will be showing Modern British and contemporary paintings while Shapiro & Co from London has Russian and Continental silver and jewellery. Redbus return with a mix of 20th century posters, unusual sculpture and traditional antiques.

A Charles II period silver caster c.168. £2,850. From Mayflower Antiques.

Public Open Hours: Friday - Sunday 11.00am – 5.00pm. Admission £5.00

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