

THE PAVILIONS OF HARROGATE DECORATIVE, ANTIQUES & ART FAIR

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Rare Chinese Snuff Bottle Collection at Harrogate Antiques Fair

An extremely rare and important collection Chinese snuff bottles including one made from tangerine peel will be a major attraction when they go on sale at The Pavilions of Harrogate Decorative, Antiques & Art Fair at the Great Yorkshire Showground, Harrogate, $4^{th} - 6^{th}$ May 2018.



Belonging to York antique dealer Bob Copley, this rare set of some forty 19th century Chinese snuff bottles includes examples in glass, jade, quartz, porcelain, amber and, most extraordinarily, the dried skin of a tangerine. These miniature bottle shaped flasks, often of astonishing beauty and tactile appeal, were made for the Chinese court and popular use during the Qing Dynasty. Snuff bottles are small, made as accoutrements for a pocket or silk pouch attached to robes, ready for immediate use. They formed an essential part of everyday life and were also objects to be admired. Bob Copley's collection will be for sale, with items from £250 to £5,000 for the rarest. Bob Copley is a member of The International Chinese Snuff Bottle Society based in USA.

The Pavilions of Harrogate Decorative, Antiques & Art Fair always offer exquisite Georgian dining furniture, Edwardian leather settees, silver candelabra, English Studio pottery, Arts & Crafts, Art Deco vases and Art Nouveau bronze sculpture, with plenty of choice for interior designers, the seasoned collector and first-time buyer. In addition, there is a range of exquisite antique jewellery, watches, mid-20th century designer jewellery and accessories.

The Fair brings together many dealers from the north of England. Sutcliffe Galleries from Harrogate promise paintings by local artists, old and new. Also, showing paintings will be galleries Rowles Fine Art from Ludlow, with landscape works and 20th century artists including L.S.Lowry; and Granta Fine Art from Cambridge with paintings by post-Impressionist and Modern European artists; and Yorkshire dealers Ellis Fine Art.

In other collecting fields will be Solo Antiques, specialising in glass and sculpture from the Decorative Arts period; Garrett & Hurst with 19th and 20th century bronze sculpture; Lakes Boxes, with fine antique boxes; John Newton Antiques with 19th and 20th century traditional and studio ceramics; Jack Shaw & Co, specialising in fine period silver; jewellers Plaza and Shapiro & Co; Roger De Ville with early English pottery; and furniture dealers Elaine Phillips Antiques from Harrogate, Mark Buckley Antiques from Yorkshire and Brian Ashbee from Bristol. Among the dealers specialising in decorative pieces will be local dealer Chris Holmes Antiques from Harrogate.

Public Admission is £5.00. Open Times: Friday - Sunday 11am-5.00pm The fair is organised by Cooper Events, Somerset TA8 1BU. Tel: 01278 784912. www.cooperevents.com. info@cooperevents.com Facebook: coopersantiques.fairs Twitter: @CooperAntiques

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