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**Buy a Piece of History:**

**Untouched Contents from Peranakan Shop House for Auction Alongside Important Single-Owner Antique Collection**

Usually gracing the walls of a museum rather than the saleroom of an auction house: think ornately carved Peranakan cabinets from 1900, to hand-beaded Nyona slippers that have only ever trodden the tiled floors of the Peranakan shophouse at 20 Blair Road. A good portion of May Home & Décor auction at Hotlotz evokes a bygone era.

Alongside this magnificent untouched Nyonya heritage, is the antique collection curated by cardiologist Dr Charles Toh Chai Soon, who has made a huge contribution to what cardiology in Singapore is today. His collection – which encompasses Chinese scrolls to porcelain – took over 50 years to piece together and he is delighted to be sharing it with the next generation who want and appreciate it.

Says Hotlotz Director, Matthew Elton, “May’s Home & Decor sale personifies the diversity and excitement a single auction can offer. On one hand, we have fabulous furniture and home contents that have a place in history – as well as a single owner’s personal collection. Yet sitting alongside them, the same sale also offers striking modern lamps and scandi-chic oak tables – all of which are brand new and have never been used.”

**Auction highlights include:**

A PERANAKAN CARVED SIDE CABINET
The three-quarter gallery top decorated with ribbon tied swags, fitted with two foliate carved drawers and a pair of carved, pierced and glazed cupboard doors below, on dragon carved supports, the sides also glazed and with carved border.

122cm high x 122cm wide x 56cm deep

**Starting Bid: $100 SGD**

A GROUP OF VINTAGE PERANAKAN CERAMICS

Comprising of a chupu, a miniature teapot with 2 lids, a miniature kamcheng, 2 bowls

**Starting Bid: $20 SGD**

A MODEL OF THE FRENCH SHIP 'SUPERBE' (1784)

**Starting Bid: $60 SGD**

CONTEMPORARY OBLONG OAK DINING TABLE

Constructed from American Oak

Made in New Zealand

73cm high x 180cm wide x 101cm deep

**Starting Bid: $200 SGD**

Continues Elton, “Viewing is always important for any sale, and we are delighted to be able to offer ‘in situ’ viewing of lots 1-29 in the shophouse at 20 Blair Road, Singapore 089920 on Saturday 24 April, 1-4PM, Wednesday 28 April 5-8PM, Saturday 1 May 1-4PM only. No appointment needed. All other sale items can be viewed in the Hotlotz showroom.”

*‘Home & Decor – Including the Contents of a Peranakan Shophouse*

* Online bidding closes from 6pm (SGT)/ 10am (GMT) on Sunday 2 May 2021
* Buyer’s Premium is 24% of the hammer price
* Viewing for lots 1-29 will be at 20 Blair Road, Singapore 089920 on Saturday 24 April, 1-4PM, Wednesday 28 April 5-8PM, Saturday 1 May 1-4PM only. No appointment needed. Should you be the successful buyer of this lot, our post sale department will be able to assist you with shipment from Blair Road to any address.
* All other sale items can be viewed in the Hotlotz showroom: 120 Lower Delta Road, Cendex Centre, #01-15, Singapore 169208 (email hello@hotlotz.com to make an appointment)

**NOTES TO EDITORS:**

**High resolution images available upon request**

**About Hotlotz**

Hotlotz ([hotlotz.com](http://hotlotz.com/)) is an award-winning digital auction house based in Singapore. The business was established in 2015 and now holds over 30 international online auctions every year. In 2020 we achieved a world record price for an item sold in a digital-only auction format.

In addition to our regular monthly ‘Home & Décor’ auction (held on the first Sunday of every month) we hold quarterly specialist sales of ‘Fine Art’, ‘Asian Collectables & Works of Art’, ‘Jewellery & Watches’ and ‘Designer & Luxury’ items. We also offer a range of services including specialist support for ‘Single Owner Collections’, ‘Home Contents Sales’ and ‘Professional Valuations’.

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