New director joins the Lyon & Turnbull board

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Dr Bendor Grosvenor the art historian and broadcaster will join the board of auctioneers Lyon & Turnbull as a non-executive director.

He is known for discovering lost paintings by Old Master artists like Rubens, Peter Breughel the Younger and Sir Anthony Van Dyck.

One of the most significant discoveries was a painting of Bonnie Prince Charlie by Allan Ramsay recently acquired by the Scottish National Portrait Gallery. He has appeared on the BBC, writes an online platform called Art History News and lives in Edinburgh.

Gavin Strang, Managing Director of Lyon & Turnbull said: "We are delighted that Bendor is joining the Board of Lyon & Turnbull. He brings a vast number of skills to the board including his breadth and knowledge of Old Master Paintings and his expertise in the digital world. His appointment will allow us to expand the company's reach both nationally and internationally."

Ben Grosvenor said: "I have spent most of my career being a dealer, but I have always secretly wanted to be an auctioneer. For many years I have loved visiting (and bidding in) Lyon & Turnbull's beautiful auction rooms — and I am now so pleased to be joining the company's board at this exciting time. The auction world has such potential to help bring the Old Masters, with their endlessly fascinating stories, to new audiences, something I am passionate about."