

Asian Art at Bonhams this Wednesday

This week at Bonhams it is all about the Asian Art which they are about to sell on Wednesday.



Eraena Valery of Bonhams with an ivory okimono of a serving girl on the right and a carved ivory okimono of a lady and child on the left

We met Ian Glennie who is the specialist in this area who was keen to tell us about one piece in particular which has taken his eye.

He told us : “It is a beautiful carving in elephant ivory of a pomegranate fruit hanging on a bough with some other fruits nearby. It is bursting open and the seeds are coming forth from the inside. It is very representative of marital fertility and abundance, the giving forth of children, usually boys in Chinese symbolism.

“It came from a local lady who I think was offered the choice of a number of artefacts from a deceased friend’s home. She decided she didn’t want oil paintings and the like and had

admired this beautiful pomegranate for many years.

“It dates from the turn of the century about 1900 and we expect it to make a few thousand at this Wednesday’s sale.”

This week [@bonhams1793](#) are selling some lovely examples of Asian Art – here is one that Ian Glennie told us all about pic.twitter.com/BWG8ooxsVC

– Edinburgh Reporter (@EdinReporter) [March 19, 2018](#)

Bonhams 22 Queen Street Asian Art Sale Wednesday 21 March 2018 at 11 am



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