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Leica Camera Auction Organized by L&H Auction

We are delighted to bring you the L&H Photographica Auction, the first time ever held in Hong Kong. As Leica collectors like you, you can't definitely miss it out! Consulted by James L. Larger, the renowned Leica researcher and historian. There are around 200 pieces of rare vintage camera, and auction will be taken place on 22 June 2013 at Grand Hyatt Hotel Hong Kong.

The highlighted piece by auction is the custom-made M6 Platinum Sultan of Brunei Birthday Edition with diamond embedded, on celebrating his golden birthday in 1995. It is very rare to find one with serial number HB-000, and comes with an unique Summilux-M 1.4/35mm numbered #375200, #HB000-125. This camera was once one of the collections of Leica Museum in Solms, complete set shipped with its original lens cap and wooden box, and left the museum since 2003. The estimated value is ranged from HK\$2,200,000 to HK\$2,800,000.

In this auction, Leica is the majority while other prestige brands will be offered. Around 200 classic cameras, lenses and related accessories are available for your bid. Making bid can be in person, by mail, by fax, e-mail and by telephone. L&H Auction also accept giving bid on web, www.liveauctioneers.com

Preview will be held in Hong Kong in mid-June, exhibited the exceptional items from Leitz/Leica that are valued at HK\$20,000,000. Catalogue will be sent on request, please send your personal data including name, phone number, email/address to auction@lh-hk.com or call 852-3168 2188 or visit www.lhauction.com.hk for further details.

Preview

Date: 18 - 21 June 2013 (11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.)
22 June 2013 (9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.)
Venue: Shop No. 9-11, 10/F, Windsor House, 311 Gloucester Road, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong

Auction

Date: 22 June 2013 (1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.)
Venue: Grand Hyatt Hong Kong, Library and Lounge, 1 Harbour Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong
Registration: Please send the personal information including name, phone number and e-mail to auction@lh-hk.com

Description and Picture of Selected Items

Lot No.	Description	Estimated Price	Picture
18.	<p><u>IIIIf Chrome Prototype</u></p> <p>Leica IIIIf Red Dial experimental camera, early prototype design to what turned into the IIIg showing F-type, synchronization and built-in bright line viewfinder, rear view showing combined rangefinder viewfinder eyepiece, and synchronization outlet in traditional location to the right side.</p>	HKD \$800,000	
36.	<p><u>M3 Black Paint with Summilux-M 1.4/50mm Black Paint</u></p> <p>Original M3 Black Paint, with Summilux-M 1.4/50mm (#1897227), in mint condition. Comes with box and lens cap.</p>	HKD \$260,000	
42.	<p><u>Leica MP Chrome with Summicron-M 2/5cm and Leicavit</u></p> <p>Early MP Chrome, only 449 pieces were made in 1957, out of 311 pieces are in chrome. The serial number is matching with the number inside of the body. This camera comes with matching Summicron-M 2/5cm (#1466063) and Leicavit. In mint condition, extremely rare.</p>	HKD \$600,000	
127.	<p><u>Elcan-R 3.4/180mm</u></p> <p>In the early 1970s the US military in response to special photographic needs created for Vietnam Conflict. Commission Leitz of Midland Canada designed and produced this lens. The first batch 20 pieces was delivered in 1972. the second and third batch totally in 34 pieces was delivered before 1974, the lens carried serial number sequence 303-00XX, total 54 lenses. The serial number of this lens is 303-0053 with both caps, in perfect condition. Extremely rare.</p>	HKD \$80,000	

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135.	<p><u>M6 Platinum Sultan of Brunei 50th Birthday Edition with Diamond</u></p> <p>To celebrate 50th birthday of his majesty, Sultan Brunei ordered the special limited edition from Leica in 1995. There were 150 pieces made with diamond on the top plate and come with Summilux-M 1.4/50mm, special number started with HB001. But more particularly, the camera in this auction carried with serial no. HB-000 which is the first unit of this batch, and the lens is Summilux-M 1.4/35mm (#375200, #HB000-125). This camera was property of the Leica Museum in Solms, leave in Leica museum up to 2003. Extremely rare, comes with lens cap.</p>	HKD \$2,800,000	
146.	<p><u>146. MP Edition 《60 Years PRC》 with Summilux-M 1.4/50mm ASPH Gold Plated</u></p> <p>In commemoration the 60th Anniversary of the People's Republic of China Leica has produced 24 carat gold-plated MP with Summilux-M 1.4/50mm ASPH #4073525, body covered with red calf skin, only 61 units made, each bears a mark between 1949 and 2009, engraved 中華人民共和國萬歲 on the top. This commemorative number is 1987, complete with full packing in brand new condition. Extremely rare.</p>	HKD \$400,000	
147.	<p><u>M9-P Edition Hermès with Three Lenses Kit</u></p> <p>Leica M9-P Edition Hermès comes with Summicron-M 2/28mm ASPH, Noctilux-M 0.95/50mm ASPH & Summicron-M 2/90mm ASPH; only 100 units produced. The commemorative number is 52/100, comes with Hermès camera bag and strap, hood, full packing and brand new condition.</p>	HKD \$480,000	

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L&H Auction Co. Ltd. specializes in sourcing the exceptional cameras and lenses from all over the world. James L. Lager, Leica researcher and historian serves as the consultant.

About James L. Lager

In 1971 he joined the Leica Technical Center of E. Leitz, Inc. Rockleigh, N.J. He has engaged in the retail sector of the photo industry since 1975. Internationally recognized as an authority on Leica cameras and systems, renowned author of important publications of Leica.