



PHILATELY, NUMISMATICS, BANKNOTES & COLLECTIBLES

*“The visionary is
the only true realist.”*

Federico Fellini



31st Auction | lot 27.000
realized: 202.500 €



Dear friends of philately and numismatics,

I fell in love with philately at a very early age, and decided then to turn my hobby into a career. At that time, nobody would have thought this decision would lead from me working alone in my parents' house to global leader Christoph Gärtner Collectors World and working with over 60 employees.

I built Christoph Gärtner Collectors World by changing with the times, maintaining a positive attitude toward those changes while preserving values of honesty and integrity, building and maintaining solid personal relationships with collectors and colleagues, responsibly handling resources and being personally involved and committed to the work done at Christoph Gärtner Collectors World. These comprise the core standards, the foundation of the business culture in which we live.

With this foundation as a basis, my team is encouraged to tackle the many new challenges of our era head on, to work on solutions together and then follow through with their implementation. I am proud of my team. They work hard, have passion for the business and demonstrate every day how much they care about the colleagues and consignors with whom they work. With this brochure, I invite you to get to know not only myself but the members of Christoph Gärtner Collectors World a little bit better and to see what we are today and our growth potential for the future.

Be it as a consignor, seller or buyer, we invite you to use to your advantage our longstanding business experience and our personal relationships around the world, crossing all areas of philately and numismatics.

I look forward to meeting you in person at one of our offices.
Best regards



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Christoph Gärtner".

Christoph Gärtner

*The Headquarters in
Bietigheim – an international
centre for philately and
numismatics*



THE GÄRTNER-STORY

From a One-Man Business to a Market Leader

Christoph Gärtner became a passionate collector at the age of nine and an exhibitor at the age of 13. That is why he decided to make his hobby his career and started out freelancing immediately upon gaining his baccalaureate. At first, he focussed on coil stamps and stamp booklets, as well as systematically developing offers on postal stationery. His first price list was a mere four pages long, but just like the business as a whole it grew continuously. Having an eye for exceptional stamps and postmarks, he soon began to specialise in covers, which are true gems to collectors. He later expanded the range of themes he covered.

In 1986, he exhibited at the Sindelfingen International Stamp Fair for the first time. He aimed to establish himself not only in Germany but on the global market, which is why he had a stand at the Philexfrance fair in Paris in 1989 – the first time he ever participated in an international exhibition. In 1991, he published his first net price catalogue on global postal history. He also attended Philanippon in Japan. Ever since, Christoph Gärtner has been represented at virtually all important philatelic and numismatic trade fairs on philately and numismatics in Germany and beyond. In 1995, Christoph Gärtner added bulk lots and collections to his portfolio.

Over the two decades that followed, the business became the global leader for postal stationery and an expert on thematics and postal history.

*"Being successful
requires two things:
Clear objectives
and a burning desire to
achieve them."*

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe



Auction and trading house in Bietigheim-Bissingen

Christoph Gärtner soon understood that providing a single venue in his hometown of Bietigheim-Bissingen where collectors, dealers and investors from all over the world could meet, would be a decisive move to ensure a successful future for the business.

In 2004, his idea began to take shape when he founded Gärtner Auction House. And the foundation stone was laid for the new company headquarters. Since April 2005, both the trading and auction houses have been located at the CG Group HQ, covering a conveniently accessible area of 2,700 m². Large visiting and storage facilities, an additional venue at Walheimer Strasse, an own auction room as well as extensive parking to provide enough space for further philatelic activities and new business ideas.

In June 2006, Christoph Gärtner successfully held his first international auction. By the 4th auction in September 2007, the Group had joined the ranks of the most successful auction and trading houses in the world. As the largest philatelic auction house in Europe and the second largest in the world, the Group has been playing in the big league for years.



Auctioneers Claudia Sapper and Christoph Gärtner

New business areas and unique philatelic archives

Christoph Gärtner's portfolio covers all aspects of global philately to an extent which is quite likely to be unparalleled. In 2011, Gärtner began to establish a separate numismatics section; since 2015, the business has also specialised in banknotes, supported by a dedicated team.

The business also made the headlines by auctioning off special objects and collections, such as one of the largest private collections of ballooning history, an impressive whisky collection and a collection of rock guitars complete with artists' signatures.

With the acquisition of the Higgins & Gage Archive (2006), the archive of the Fournier printing house (2007), parts of the UNO archives, with thousands of unique specimens (2007), the entire Holcombe library, including the comparative and reference collections of numerous countries worldwide (2012), the H. R. Harmer library, built up since 1918, and its related archive (2015) and the archive and the expertising documents of Jakubek (2018), the C.G. specialists have access to a unique trove of information, which is partly available for philatelists from all over the world for research purposes.

Christoph Gärtner's passion for philatelic catalogues and books has seen him acquire a collection of tens of thousands of works stored in seven rooms.



An ever-larger family

Since the acquisition of *Pumpenmeier Auction House* in Kirchlengern in 2014, Christoph Gärtner has increasingly invested in the growth of the Christoph Gärtner Group.

In 2015 he acquired two auction houses, namely *Edgar Mohrmann* (Hamburg), and *Rauss & Fuchs* (Stuttgart), as well as the complete, tradition-rich stock of *Detlef Hilmer*, based in Munich.



We are your capable partner for big consignments

Auction Galleries Hamburg formerly Schwanke GmbH has been a member of the Gärtner family since July 2016.

In October 2018, Gärtner opened the Competence Centre West in Düsseldorf.

Meanwhile, more than 70 employees and several cooperation partners in the USA, South America, Asia, Australia and Europe work for the Group.



C.G. COLLECTORS WORLD

A global brand for collectors

The aim of expanding the activities of the C.G. Group is to provide knowledgeable contacts of great repute known for their integrity, authority and know-how to collectors, investors and also communities of theirs anywhere in the world.

A business with close ties to its home community and an international outlook, provides extensive, high quality and personalised service to our clients.

At the same time, we focus on further improving our international network to be able to use this synergy for our clients all over the world. Our international representatives, global cooperation programmes and consignment tours, as well as presence at all key fairs allow us to constantly liaise with our clients in person.

As an owner-operated group, we can ensure highly flexible and swift decision-making processes anywhere in the world. We offer expert advice while staying in close contact with our clients. Christoph Gärtner himself is happy to talk to collectors, dealers and investors and inspects valuable collections personally.

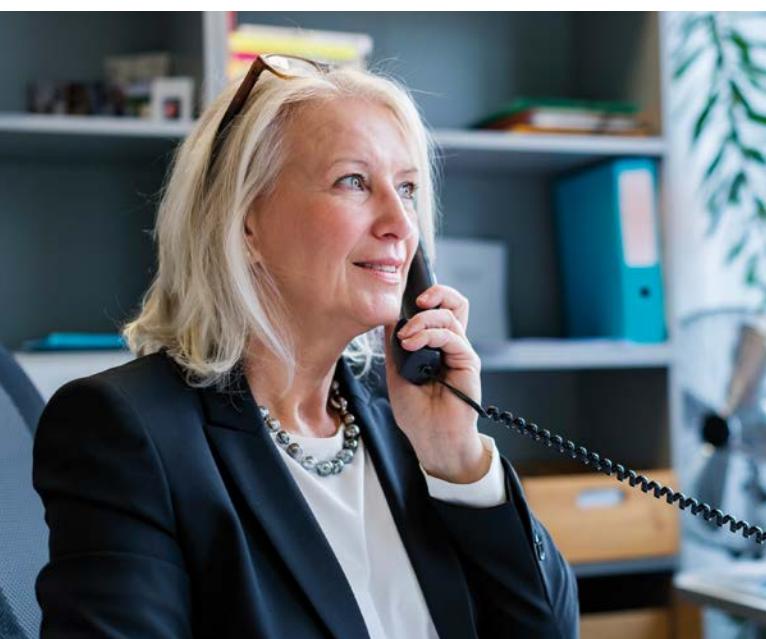


34th Auction | lot 887
realized: €32,300

“When we are dreaming alone it is only a dream. When we are dreaming with others, it is the beginning of reality.”

Hélder Câmara

Sabine Klotz, Auction administration



A successful team is more than the sum of its members

All members of the C.G. Group are closely linked with each other. They work as one team, complementing each other and pooling strengths. Both within and outside the company, they treat each other in a friendly and respectful manner.

That is why consignments for auctions held at our auction houses can always be made to any of our offices. Experts within the individual companies liaise regularly and cooperate on the areas of philately, numismatics, bank notes and special collection items.

All threads converge at our HQ in Bietigheim-Bissingen, with our experts for auction management, IT, logistics, marketing, accounting, corporate communications and customs based there, working closely with all members of the network.



Auction at Auction Galleries Hamburg,
formerly Schwanke GmbH



Our centre of competence in the North



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C.G. Open Day at Rauss & Fuchs



Handover of keys: Wilfried Fuchs
and Christoph Gärtner



Axel Dörrenbach, Competence Centre West

CHRISTOPH GÄRTNER AUCTION HOUSE

The core of the Group

Work with a capable partner, who is a name in international philately for his know-how, who has also achieved outstanding results also in numismatics and banknotes and who is connected all over the globe.

Participating personally at fairs worldwide, we constantly deepen and expand our network.

Beyond this, we offer you modern management and efficient marketing strategies, an exceptional and comprehensive offer, as well as high service standards ensured by our qualified, committed team.

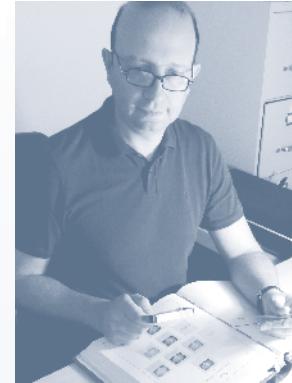
FOCUS:

- INTERNATIONAL PHILATELY & POSTAL HISTORY
- COINS, MEDALS AND BANK NOTES
- LARGE LOTS AND ESTATES
- SPECIAL OBJECTS AND COLLECTIONS
- THREE GRAND AUCTIONS EACH YEAR AT OUR HEADQUARTERS IN BIETIGHEIM-BISSINGEN



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Maria Dewald, Executive Assistant



Christoph Gärtner at the World Exhibition in Melbourne 2013

Booth at Bangkok 2007



At his first auction on 28-29th June 2006, Christoph Gärtner auctioned off a total of 5,700 lots, achieving a total turnover of €1.7m.

10 years later, he opened his 34th auction on 30th May 2016 as official auctioneer of the World Stamp Show in New York, auctioning several exceptional rarities. This auction was continued on 10th/11th June and 13th to 17th in Bietigheim-Bissingen. Our experts appraised and described over 31,000 lots for this auction, presented in a total of 15 catalogues. The total realisation of over €12m demonstrated the enormous strength of the auction house.



Worldwide Rarities Auction in New York, 2016

FAIRS & EXHIBITIONS

INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES



Necip Tokoglu, Philatelist and Specialist for Turkey



Christoph Gärtner in Dubai, 2006



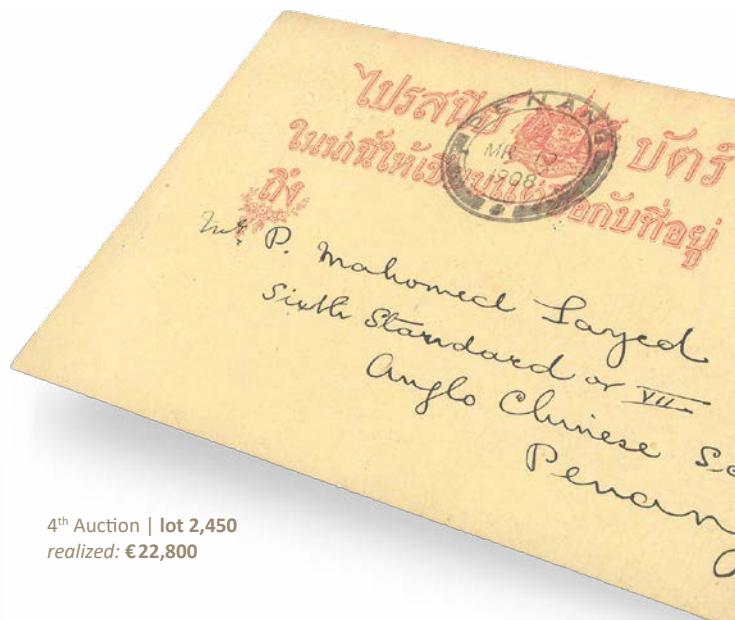
Martin Frischauft, Philatelist and Specialist for Australia



Our aim: customer satisfaction

Regardless of whether if you are in the auction room, enjoying a little break at our cafeteria, keeping an eye on the monitors at the visiting rooms, needing to go online, talking with colleagues in a pleasant environment, taking part in our social programme in the evening or visiting us in between auctions – we want you to feel at home at Christoph Gärtner Collectors World.

We provide high quality service, personal consultation and direct contact to company management.



Valentina Mihajlova, Customer Services



Tanja Heutink, Reception Desk



First floor Head Office Bietigheim

"He who knows his goal will find his way." *Lao-tzu*

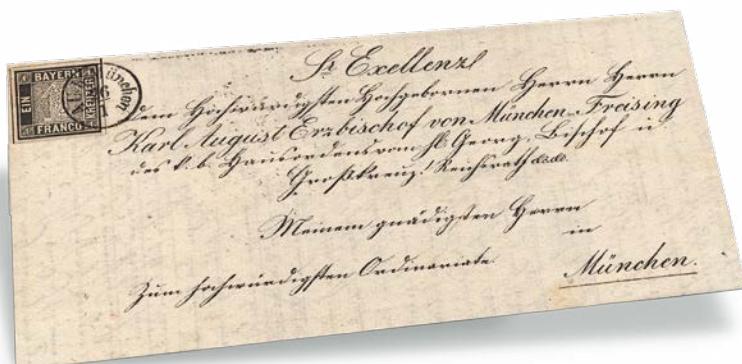


FACTS & FIGURES

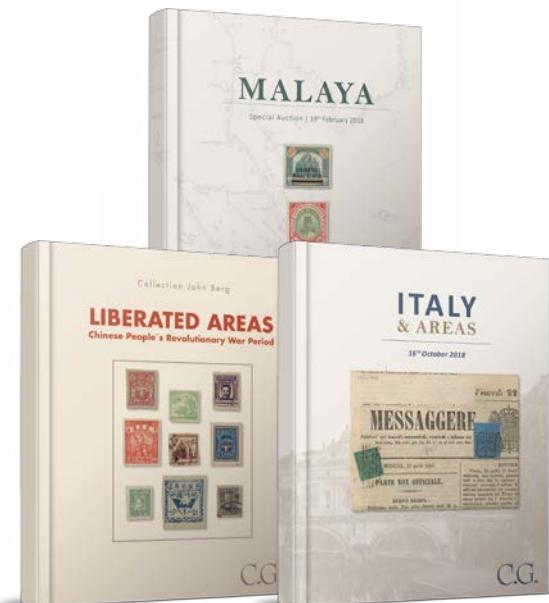
In 2008, Christoph Gärtner Auction House achieved a total turnover of €9m and was able to triple that amount in 2016.

Over 60 employees as well as a number of representatives and partners in the US, South America, Asia, Australia and Europe work for our company. We have 179,000 client contacts from 140 countries in our database.

We hold three public international auctions at our headquarters in Bietigheim-Bissingen annually, as well as additional special auctions. Our Competence Centre in Hamburg holds five auctions annually. One auction takes place at Mohrmann Auction House and four are held at Auction Galleries Hamburg formerly Schwanke GmbH. Rauss & Fuchs in Stuttgart has specialised in having two to three online auctions per year.



17th Auction | lot 12,578
realized: €83,300



Turnover 2008 - 2018



(from left to right) Christina Glück, Franziska Sauerer and Kristine Wallé, Marketing and PR

For the auctions, we issue meticulously-designed sale catalogues, with separate specialised and rarity volumes, which are also available digitally on DVD. All single lots and selected collections are also viewable online, including images at 100% resolution.

Several search engines allow you to search the catalogue comfortably and efficiently online. All single lots, as well as complete collections, are our catalogues are also available for download.

Our outstanding sales figures are secured by our comprehensive and effective marketing. This includes advertising in many important German and international trade journals, on internet portals, in business journals and the daily press. Additionally, our lots are searchable through our auction portal partners (stampaucitonnetwork.com, philasearch.de, stampcircuit.com, philotax.de, delcampe.de, sixbid.com, numisbids.com) We also provide support with direct mail and intensive PR.



Frank Dietrich, Financial Manager



“We create trust by being transparent and reliable and by committing to hard-and-fast arrangements.” *Frank Dietrich*

Statistics from the 25th - 43rd International Gärtner Auctions

Sales

169,764,894 € in total,
of which **€80,052,428**
(47,15%) was with
international clients.

Number of bidders

75,289 bidders in total,
of whom **39,260 (52,15%)**
were from abroad.

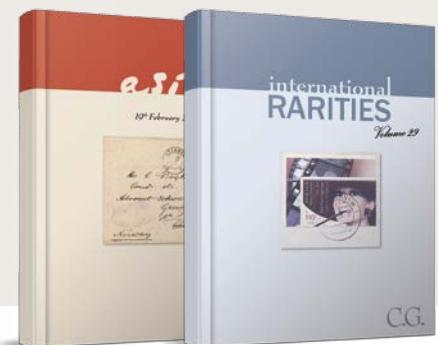
Number of lots

306,300 single lots
in total, of which **208,539**
lots (68,08%) were of
Overseas and Europe.

Catalogues dispatched

472,272 copies in total,
including **222,313 copies**
(47,07%) sent abroad.

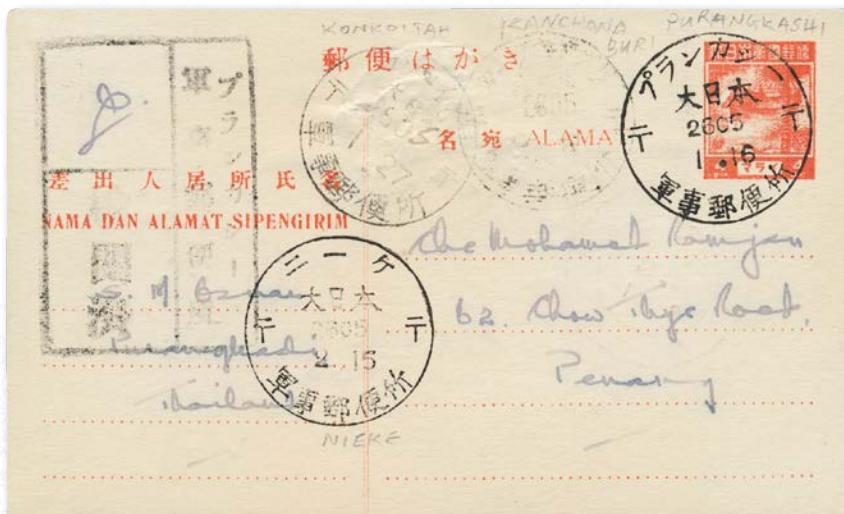
172,735 collections in
total, of which **137,452**
collections (79,57%) were
of Overseas and Europe.



INTERNATIONAL TOP REALISATIONS

The result of a winning strategy

Some SINGLE LOTS – ASIA results (prices shown are net without tax)



29th Auction | lot 8,172 | realized: €20,400



12th Auction | lot 1,282
realized: 43,700 €



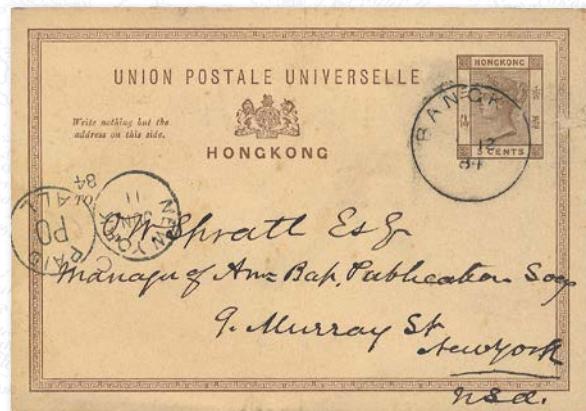
12th Auction | lot 1,284
realized: €51,900



13th Auction | lot 885
realized: €51,900



31st Auction | lot 1,169 'First Day Cover' | realized: €36,600



27th Auction | lot 2,978 | realized: €42,000



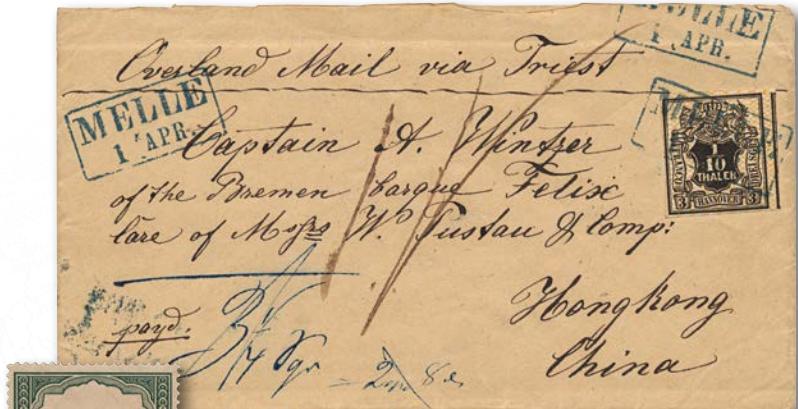
24th Auction | lot 2,237 | realized: €40,800



17th Auction | lot 2,182 | realized: €31,000



38th Auction | lot 6,253
realized: €26,000



18th Auction | lot 75 | realized: €59,500



17th Auction | lot 201
realized: €25,000



22th Auction | lot 2,451A
realized: €21,400



41st Auction | lot 365 | realized: €16,000



43rd Auction | lot 5,005
realized: €58,200



43rd Auction | lot 30,821
realized: €164,000



31st Auction | lot 230A | realized: €12,800



15th Auction | lot 1,394
realized: €27,300

22th Auction | lot 2,451A
realized: €21,400

Note: All lots listed in this brochure show hammerprice plus buyer's premium (without VAT).

Some SINGLE LOTS – OVERSEAS results (prices shown are net without tax)



35th Auction | lot 3,792
realized: €33,000



34th Auction | lot 785
realized: €36,600



14th Auction | lot 2,478
realized: €19,600



14th Auction | lot 3,979
realized: €26,800



41st Auction | lot 525
realized: €148,500



34th Auction | lot 712
realized: €34,800



21st Auction | lot 6,359 | realized: €89,300



34th Auction | lot 823
realized: €97,600



36th Auction | lot 9,845 | realized: €91,500



19th Auction | ex lot 5.168
realized: €238,000

Some SINGLE LOTS – EUROPE results (prices shown are net without tax)



12th Auction | lot 6,772
realized: €29,500



17th Auction | lot 11,876
realized: €38,400



42nd Auction | lot 12,134
realized: €32,200



22nd Auction | lot 10,335
realized: €125,000



28th Auction | lot 8,499 | realized: €27,500



38th Auction | lot 16,091
realized: €49,500



32nd Auction | lot 6,932 | realized: €35,400

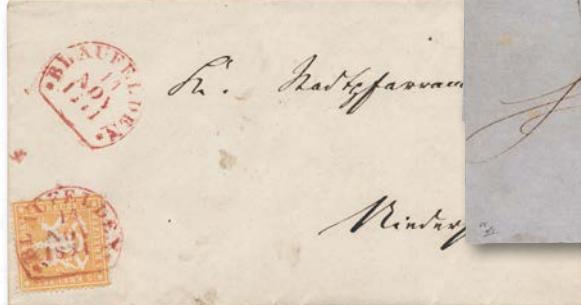


19th Auction | ex lot 10,085
realized: €18,400



37th Auction | lot 10,761 | realized: €67,100

Some SINGLE LOTS – GERMANY results (prices shown are net without tax)



9th Auction | lot 4,705 | realized: €24,200



23rd Auction | lot 239
realized: €30,500



15th Auction | lot 8,636
realized: €14,500



34th Auction | lot 239 | realized: €30,500



32nd Auction | lot 14,356 | realized: €28,700



17th Auction | lot 12,513 | realized: €38,000



6th Auction | lot 4,220 | realized: €33,900



14th Auction | lot 12,577 | realized: €73,800



31st Auction | lot 12,110 | realized: €91,500



34th Auction | ex lot 293 | realized: €61,000



37th Auction | lot 15,074 | realized: €29,700



16th Auction | lot 9,358
realized: €45,200



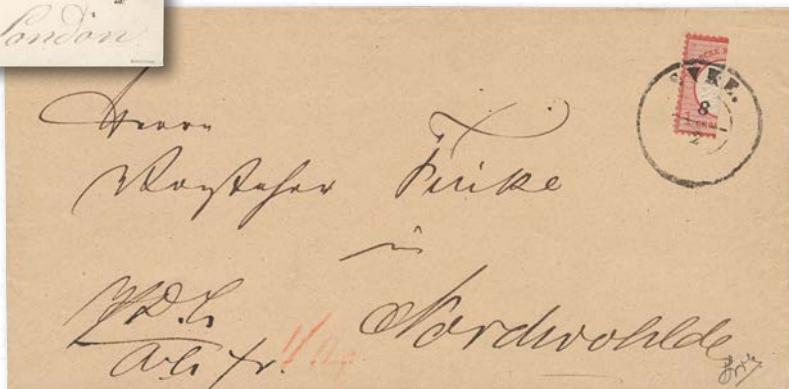
16th Auction | lot 10,592
realized: €28,600

36th Auction | lot 18,575
realized: €20,000



30th Auction | lot 14,010
realized: €49,400

34th Auction | lot 380
realized: €34,800



16th Auction | lot 9,186 | realized: €244,000

Autograph Signature "Luther"



34th Auction | lot 315 | realized: €25,000



Audrey Hepburn

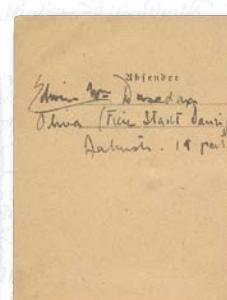
37th Auction | lot 19,084
realized: €150,050



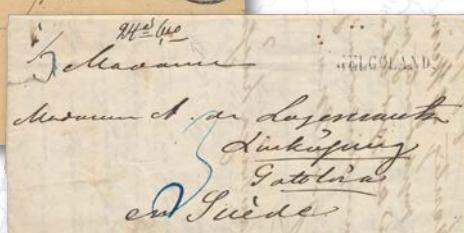
Martin Luther



20th Auction | lot 10,665 | realized: €238,000



36th Auction | lot 7,344
realized: €110,000



30th Auction | lot 10,721 | realized: €9,500

Some BANKNOTES results (prices shown are net without tax)



33rd Auction | lot 33,501 | realized: €10,400



33. Auction | lot 33,804 | realized: €18,570



35th Auction | lot 32,253 | realized: €30,500



35th Auction | lot 31,308 | realized: €48,800



38th Auction | lot 123 | realized: €86,650



32nd Auction | lot 38,878 | realized: €20,100



32nd Auction | lot 38,482 | realized: €8,000



40th Auction | lot 3,133 | realized: €16,094



33rd Auction | lot 32,697 | realized: €15,900



47th Auction | lot 2,473 | realized: €18,550



33rd Auction | lot 33,456 | realized: €18,300



34th Auction | lot 1,624 | realized: €17,700



34th Auction | lot 3,212 | realized: €5,800



43rd Auction | lot 2,494 | realized: €24,100



34th Auction | 2,959 | verkauft für: €4,900



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Some COLLECTIONS results (prices shown are net without tax)

WORLDWIDE

| | REALIZED |
|--|-----------------|
| 4 th Auction Worldwide Wholesaler's stock | €702,000 |
| 12 th Auction Collection Paper-folds | €206,500 |
| 32 nd Auction Dealer's Stock | €183,000 |
| 33 rd Auction Large bulk lots | €126,900 |

ASIA

| | REALIZED |
|---|-----------------|
| 3 rd Auction Thailand | €234,000 |
| Collection Siam 1868 - 1945 | |
| 4 th Auction India | €468,000 |
| Collection with mainly postal history | |
| 6 th Auction Indian States | €103,800 |
| Collection Feudatory States | |
| 20 th Auction Aden | €410,000 |
| Collection 1850 - 1960 | |
| 38 th Auction Malayan States | €762,000 |
| Collection 1854-2000 | |

THEMATICS

| | REALIZED |
|--|-----------------|
| 33 rd Auction Topicals Dealer's stock | €146,400 |
| 33 rd Auction Antarctic 48 lots | €160,100 |
| 35 th Auction Walt Disney, 1930 - 2005 | €305,000 |

OVERSEAS

| | REALIZED |
|--|-----------------|
| 3 rd Auction United States | €100,600 |
| Mint collection 1847 - 2000 | |
| 32 nd Auction United States | €37,200 |
| 1946-99 Aerogrammes, Postal Stationery | |

EUROPE

| | REALIZED |
|---|-----------------|
| 12 th Auction Turkey | €108,600 |
| Collection 'Turkey in Asia' | |
| 14 th Auction Great Britain | €255,800 |
| Mint collection of stamps | |
| 24 th Auction Spain 1850 - 1962 | €133,300 |
| 33 rd Auction Europe 1840 - 1969 | €363,600 |
| 33 rd Auction Latvia Forerunners, cards and covers 1640 - 1902 | €189,100 |
| 40 th Auction Swiss Hotel Posts | €266,150 |
| Specialized Collection 1849-1900 | |

GERMANY

| | REALIZED |
|---|-----------------|
| 9 th Auction Concentration Camp Mail | €240,000 |
| Lodz-Litzmannstadt Ghetto, 1940-1945 | |
| 13 th Auction German States | €155,800 |
| Collection of unused stamps | |
| 21 st Auction German Reich | €416,500 |
| Collection 'Eagle with Shield', stamps & covers | |
| 25 th Auction Bavaria | €666,400 |
| Collection Numerals, 1849-1870 | |
| 26 th Auction Bavaria | €714,000 |
| Stamps and covers, 1849-1920 | |

GERMANY

| | REALIZED |
|---|-------------------|
| 26 th Auction Württemberg | €238,000 |
| Stamps and covers, 1699-1920 | |
| 31 st Auction Weimar & Third Reich | €60,400 |
| 2 Collections with covers | |
| 32 nd Auction Berlin | €105,000 |
| 1948-49 Cover collection 'Black Overprints' | |
| 33 rd Auction Gdansk 8 stamp booklets | €54,200 |
| 34 th Auction Baden | €2,074,000 |
| The 'Rolf Goldschagg' Collection, 1851 - 1868 | |
| 34 th Auction Bavaria Collection Mi. No. 1 | €201,300 |
| 36 th Auction Franco-Prussian War | €305,000 |
| Exhibition Collection, 1870-71 | |
| 38 th Auction Germany | €235,200 |
| Collections and Covers, 1875-2001 | |

ESTATES

| | REALIZED |
|---|-------------------|
| 11 th Auction Estate Europe 1840 - 1945 | €253,700 |
| 12 th Auction British Colonies Estate | €147,500 |
| mainly mint | |
| 15 th Auction Worldwide Estate 1840 - 1900 | €169,000 |
| 17 th Auction Germany Estate | €164,200 |
| mainly post-1945 | |
| 10 th Auction Worldwide Estate | €171,100 |
| Collection with approx. 7,200 covers | |
| 24 th Auction Worldwide Estate 337 albums | €398,600 |
| 26 th Auction 'Karl Stehle Estate' | €1,722,000 |
| Mainly picture postcards | |

NUMISMATICS

| | REALIZED |
|---|-------------------|
| 19 th Auction Coins | €69,300 |
| Collection with over 230 pieces | |
| 29 th Auction Danubian Gold | €1,600,000 |
| 29 th Auction Encased Postage Stamps & Stamp Money Single lots and collections | €246,000 |
| 31 st Auction Coins Württemberg | €189,200 |
| The 'Emmenecker' Collection | |

PICTURE POSTCARDS & TOPICALS

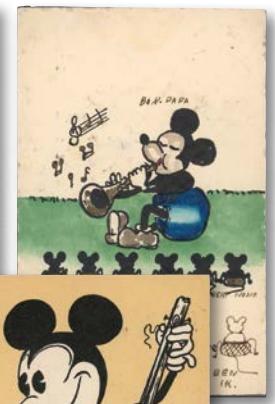
| | REALIZED |
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| 26 th Auction Picture Postcards | €333,200 |
| National Socialism 1919-1945 | |
| 36 th Auction Germany | €89,600 |
| Collection of Picture Postcards | |

VARIOUS / MISC.

| | REALIZED |
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| 27 th Auction "Whisky" | €253,000 |
| Decanter, Cristal Carafes, Porcelain Jugs | |
| 35 th Auction Ludwig Hohlwein | €305,000 |
| Private Collection | |
| 21 st Auction 'Ballooning History' | €541,450 |
| 39 th Auction Böni's collection of well over 100,000 original autographs | €131,200 |



34th Auction | ex lot 236
realized: €2,074,000



35th Auction | ex lot 18,324
realized: €305,000



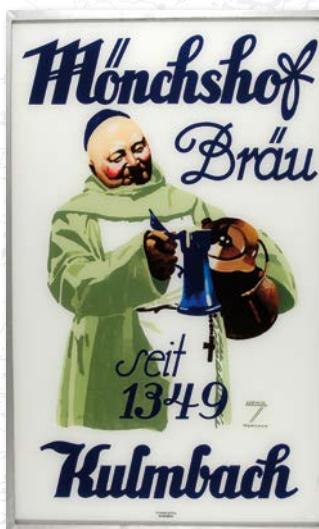
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realized: €702,000



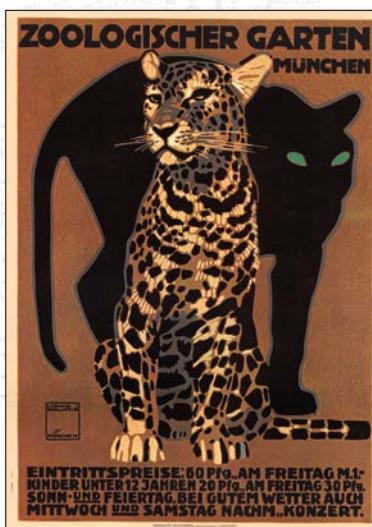
26th Auction | ex lot 25,404
realized: €267,700



38th Auction | lot 38,648
realized: €762,000



26th Auction | ex lot 23,000 | realized: €305,000



A SCALE of
English Leagues
To find the distance between any two Places in this Map by a Scale of English
Leagues, find from us to $\frac{1}{2}$ Miles or Leagues as you see fit, numbered up
in the margin, and multiply by the number of Leagues.



39th Auction | lot 34,000
realized: €131,200

Some results from the PETER ZGONC COLLECTION Special Auctions :

(prices shown are net without tax)



1st SPECIAL AUCTION | lot 21
realized: €74,300



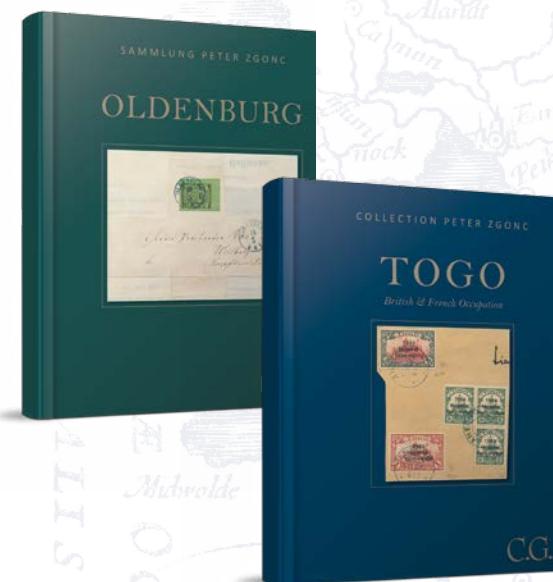
1st SPECIAL AUCTION | lot 22
realized: €136,200



1st SPECIAL AUCTION | lot 23
realized: €136,200



1st SPECIAL AUCTION | lot 187 | realized: €73,000



1st Special Auction, 7th April 2018
at the Schlosshotel Monrepos, Ludwigsburg



1st SPECIAL AUCTION | lot 45 | realized: €458,100



1st SPECIAL AUCTION | 48
realized: €185,700



1st SPECIAL AUCTION | 49
realized: €266,200



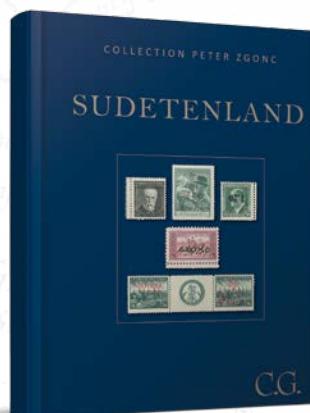
1st SPECIAL AUCTION | 224 | realized: €43,300



SPECIAL AUCTION PRAGA | lot 100
realized: €13,000



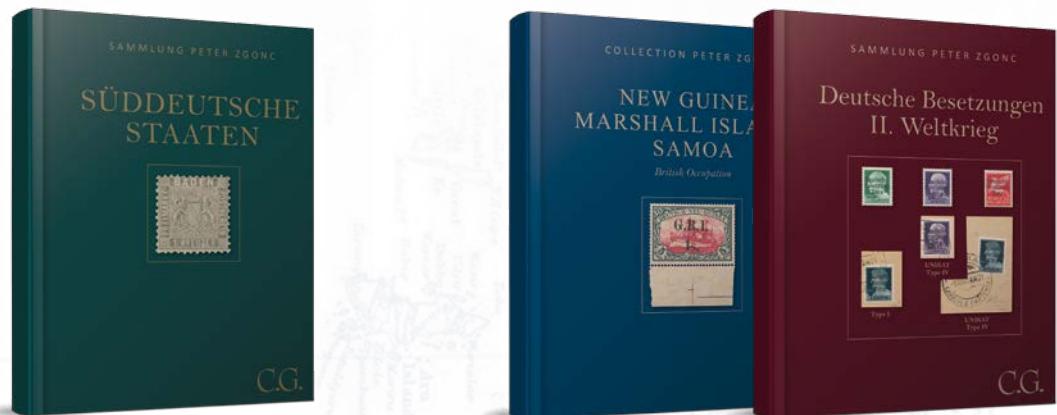
SPECIAL AUCTION PRAGA | lot 73
realized: €16,100



Special Auction PRAGA
16th - 17th August 2018



SPECIAL AUCTION PRAGA | lot 14 | realized: €7,700



*2nd Special Auction, 1st September 2018
at the Schlosshotel Monrepos, Ludwigsburg*

*3rd Special Auction, 8th December 2018
at the Schlosshotel Monrepos, Ludwigsburg*



2nd SPECIAL AUCTION | lot 108
realized: €38,400



2nd SPECIAL AUCTION | lot 106
realized: €13,000



2nd SPECIAL AUCTION | lot 140
realized: €9,900



2nd SPECIAL AUCTION | lot 230
realized: €14,900



3rd SPECIAL AUCTION | lot 415
realized: €49,500



3rd SPECIAL AUCTION | lot 418
realized: €55,700



3rd SPECIAL AUCTION | lot 162
realized: €22,300



3rd SPECIAL AUCTION | lot 193
realized: €29,700



*4th Special Auction, 9th March 2019
at the Schlosshotel Monrepos, Ludwigsburg*



*4th SPECIAL AUCTION | lot 241
realized: €22,300*



43rd AUCTION | lot 253 | realized: €49,500



The special auctions of the PETER ZGONC COLLECTION take place in an exclusive setting, mainly at the Schlosshotel Monrepos in Ludwigsburg.



above: The auction duo Claudia Sapper and Christoph Gärtner provide a relaxed and focused atmosphere.

left: Gala dinner on the occasion of the first PETER ZGONC SPECIAL AUCTION

The railway station at Kirchlengern, home of Pumpenmeier Auction House

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FOCUS:

- CONSULTING
- CONSIGNMENTS
- HOUSE CALLS
- OUTRIGHT PURCHASE
- PRIVATE TREATY

PUMPENMEIER AUCTION HOUSE IN KIRCHLENGERN ***Grand Station for Philately***

Christoph Gärtner acquired Pumpenmeier Auction House in Kirchlengern in 2014. Bernd Jurkewitz, who had been in charge of the auction house since 1990, will continue as head of the office. For Gärtner Auction House, he will continue to serve as the trusted and committed first point of contact for old and new clients alike in northwest Germany.

Pumpenmeier Auction House was established 40 years ago. It was born out of auctions held by the Polar Post Society (Polarpost-Verein) of Bielefeld in 1971. It found a fitting location: a listed historical train station in Kirchlengern. The auction house had become world-famous with its slogan 'Grand Station for Philately', a pun on the German expression 'to make a grand station', used jokingly to describe a pompous red carpet reception.

RAUSS & FUCHS

Württemberg's oldest stamp auction house

Württemberg's oldest stamp auction house, based in the centre of Stuttgart, has been a member of the C.G. Group since early 2015. Its previous owner, Wilfried Fuchs, an officially-authorised expert for stamps, continues to hold the strings and serves as a contact to his clients.

Kurt Rauss began trading stamps shortly after the 1948 West German monetary reform. He held his first postal auction in 1953 and has held public auctions since 1958. In 1988 Wilfried Fuchs joined the auction house as a partner and since 1991 he has been solely responsible for operations.



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FOCUS:

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- COINS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD
- SPECIALITIES ALSO INCLUDE LIECHTENSTEIN AND AIR MAIL
- TWO TO THREE ONLINE AUCTIONS PER YEAR

COMPETENCE CENTRE WEST

New opening at a renowned address in Düsseldorf



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Axel Dörrenbach, Philatelist and Expert (VP)

At the end of October 2018, the Gärtner auction house opened an additional location in Düsseldorf with the Competence Centre West.

In the premises of the former stamp dealer Brandes & Schulz, which was already regarded by collectors since 1907 as a serious and competent contact point for stamps, coins and accessories, Gärtner continues its decades of tradition.

Under the direction of Axel Dörrenbach, Association Expertiser for selected areas of German and international philately and postal history, the Competence Centre West in North Rhine-Westphalia offers all the services of the C.G. Collectors World.

In keeping with the traditional stamp dealer atmosphere of Brandes & Schulz, collectors can expect a permanent and excellent selection of international philately.

FOCUS:

- INTERNATIONAL PHILATELY
- CONSULTING AND EXPERTISE
- OUTRIGHT PURCHASE AND CONSIGNMENTS

STREAMLINING KNOW-HOW

The new philately competence centre in Hamburg

Following Edgar Mohrmann Auction House's move in October 2016 into one of the city's time-honoured iconic trading office buildings at 1 Kleine Reichenstraße, the seat of *Auction Galleries Hamburg formerly Schwanke GmbH*, both houses have grown even closer.

At the new philately competence centre they make full use of their potential and provide first-class service across all areas to philatelists, collectors and investors in Northern Germany.

EDGAR MOHRMANN AUCTION HOUSE ***The traditional house in Hamburg***

Christoph Gärtner acquired the renowned Edgar Mohrmann Auction House in Hamburg in late February 2015. The auction house looks back on a 90-year history and will continue to be led by its former owner, Hans-Peter Bahr and his wife, Christa.

The business was founded in 1929 by Edgar Mohrmann, a dealer from Lübeck, and had become one of the most successful auction houses over the years. Mohrmann was an outstanding authority in his field and hit national and international headlines both in the regular and trade news outlets (e.g. with his 12-page lead article in Germany's



Der Spiegel magazine
dedicated a cover story to
Edgar Mohrmann in 1962

Der Spiegel magazine in 1962). Following his death in 1964, star auctioneer and 'Mauritius legend' Wolfgang Jakubek, Manfred Mylius and Ekkehard Lambrecht were among those running the auction house before it was acquired by Hans-Peter Bahr, who ran the business for over 18 years.

FOCUS:

- TRADITIONAL PHILATELY
- ACQUISITIONS AND CONSIGNMENTS
- AUCTION ONCE A YEAR



Hans-Peter Bahr

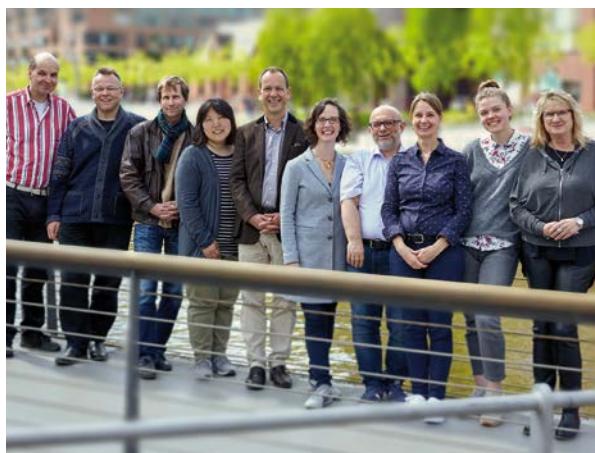




Hans-Peter Bahr (Auction House Edgar Mohrmann) and Hans-Joachim Schwanke agree:

"Our clients get to keep their 'philatelic homes' up North while at the same time profiting from this link to the C.G. Collectors World."

THE RENOWNED SCHWANKE AUCTION HOUSE OF HAMBURG The most recent addition to the family



Team Auction Galleries Hamburg

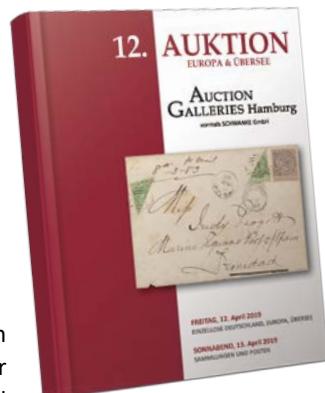
FOCUS:

- GERMAN AND INTERNATIONAL POSTAL HISTORY,
CLASSICAL TO MODERN PHILATELY,
PHILATELIC LITERATURE
- FOUR AUCTIONS PER YEAR



In April 2016, Hans-Joachim Schwanke, managing director of Schwanke GmbH, and Christoph Gärtner paved the way for the future of Schwanke Auction House in Hamburg.

Now operating as "Auction Galleries Hamburg formerly Schwanke GmbH", the Schwanke team will continue to hold its auctions at its old venue at the Reichenhof at the heart of Hamburg's Kontorhaus District, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.



Hans-Joachim Schwanke and Christoph Gärtner after signing the contract

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OUR COMPETENCE CENTRE IN THE NORTH OF GERMANY
Excellent auction results

AUCTION GALLERIES HAMBURG, formerly Schwanke:



1st Auction AGH | lot 1,751
realized: €13,000



3rd Auction AGH | lot 1,269
realized: €21,050

1st Auction AGH | lot 1,896
realized: 18,600 €



1st Auction AGH | lot 2,017
realized: €28,500



1st Auction AGH | lot 1,999
realized: €20,450

Some results of AUCTIONSHAUS EDGAR MOHRMANN & CO:



209th Mohrmann Auction
lot 291 | realized: 80.500 €



209th Mohrmann Auction | lot 944
realized: €64,400



209th Mohrmann Auction
lot 1,646 | realized: €195,600



209th Mohrmann Auction
lot 1,647 | realized: €195,600



210th Mohrmann Auction
lot 60 | realized: €13,000



209th Mohrmann Auction | lot 346
realized: €20,400



YOUR ONE-STOP SOLUTION FOR philately, numismatics, bank notes, curious collections & special items

We have made a name for ourselves as a competent and reliable partner in philately and numismatics. Our auctions of special items have also been met with great interest.

Collectors often do not only focus on one field. This is why we have constantly expanded our portfolio and can now present consignments of the most curious collections and achieve outstanding results auctioning them off.

We once, for instance, were entrusted with auctioning the oeuvre of one collector precisely because it was his expressed wish that one single auction house took care of all of his treasures, including a stamp collection, a collection of old shares and a curious whisky collection.

All collections have found new, happy owners. It deserves a mention that the whisky collection, estimated at € 120,000, sold at € 208,000. Comprehensive knowledge of the market and a highly-motivated team of experts working seamlessly with all offices of the auction house led to extraordinary success.



"To do business with collectors, you need to be imaginative and liquid not only when it comes to stamps."

Oliver Schmale about Christoph Gärtner, Economics Section, German Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung Newspaper, 4th May 2015

Our Portfolio

• PHILATELY & POSTAL HISTORY

German and international philately, single lots, collections, large lots and complete estates

• NUMISMATICS

Antique coins, coins from the Middle Ages and the Modern Era

• BANKNOTES

National and international banknotes

• SPECIAL ITEMS AND COLLECTIONS



Direct sale for cash or consignment to our auctions – the choice is yours

We are always looking out for interesting single lots, all kinds of collections and complete estates for our auctions – all around the globe.

Also coins of all shapes and sizes, gold and silver coins and collections thereof, as well as banknotes, are always welcome to us.

We will also arrange special auctions for suitable items, or issue special catalogues which are guaranteed to present your material to the market in the best way possible.

Please advise how you would prefer to work with us – and it is up to you if you prefer to leave your items with us as consignments or if you would rather sell your items to us straight away.

Why not give us a call and talk to one of our experts about what would be the best choice in your case? For expensive and voluminous material, we are happy to visit you. If you decide to post your consignment to us, it will automatically be insured at € 25,000 per parcel.

Our experts will view and assess your items, be it a single item or extensive estates, and will be happy to make you an offer. We buy philatelic and numismatic items at the best market prices worldwide. Brokers will be paid a commission and we ensure we will handle everything absolutely confidentially.



***We are happy to accept consignments
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Our experts also regularly tour Germany,
Europe and overseas.***

Your consignment is in safe hands

Once you have decided to trust us with your consignment, all you have to do is sit back and relax. Your consignment will be handled with the greatest professionalism and we will ensure that we achieve the best possible results for you.

Sometimes, our experts do come across the proverbial needle in a haystack when viewing and assessing your material.

We keep you updated throughout the entire process, from consignment to the final payment.

Christoph Gärtner once found unused postal stationery from China in some bulk of material, which was auctioned for € 34,000, and a cancel on Thai postal stationery which sold for € 22,800, a record price for a cancellation from the 20th century.

Other highlights include a parcel registration card with Brustschild stamps treating us to exciting telephone bidding duels and realising € 200,000, and a cover with the bisected Brustschild stamp of Syke. At the auction, radio and TV reporters and journalists watched in awe as the hammer fell at € 205,000.



43rd Auction | lot 1,641
realized: €250,000



33rd Auction | lot 32,339
realized: €31,700



*Silvana Rossi, Specialist for coins and medals.
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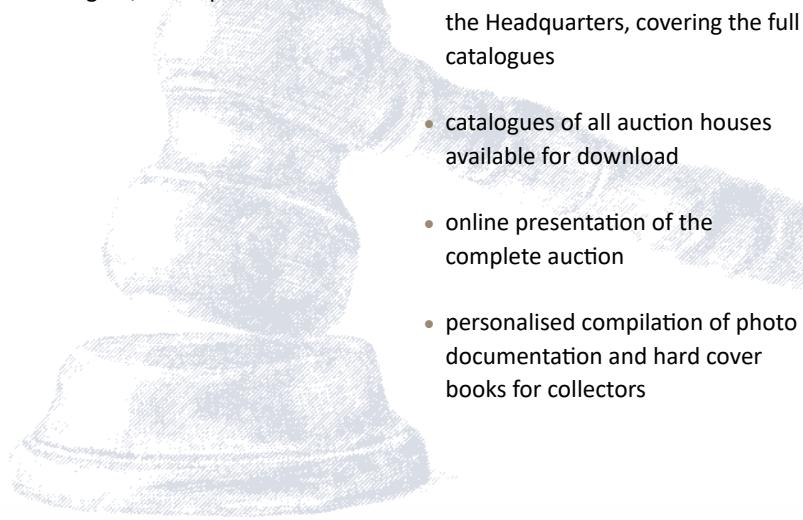
1st Special Auction
lot 589 | realized: €45,800

Three columns showing how we get you the best possible results

Largest customer potential in the world

We have now over 179,000 collectors, and other interested parties, based around the globe on our database.

Although many of our clients exclusively access information online, we still mail out a range of our catalogues, which have become key items in archives and libraries. For our 34th Auction at our Headquarters, we sent out 15 different catalogues totalling 28,950 copies worldwide.



Professional processing and presentation

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- cooperation with internationally recognised experts
- attractive print catalogues as well as name-sale catalogues and prestigious rarity catalogues
- DVDs of each auction held at our the Headquarters, covering the full catalogues
- catalogues of all auction houses available for download
- online presentation of the complete auction
- personalised compilation of photo documentation and hard cover books for collectors

Marketing

- comprehensive print and online marketing: adverts in international stamp journals, business journals, daily press and online portals
- online presentation of all items for auction
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- selected collections with all pages available on www.biddr.com, www.flickr.com and www.stamp-auctions.de
- results available daily after each auction session
- direct mail
- Gärtner newsletter



23rd Auction | lot 3,034
realized: €18,300



"Direct and personal contact with our customers is most important" – **Helmut Schmid**er, Philatelist and first point of contact.



"Our customers take centre stage in our mindset and action." – **Andreas Sixtl**, Philatelist.



Digitising even the most complicated auction procedures. – **Felix Bader**, Philatelist and Programmer.



Taking care of the philatelic archive in our headquarters. – **Michael Büttner**, Philatelist.



Examines Chinese stamps, and advises Chinese-speaking customers over our auctions. – **Wenqi Zhang**, Philatelist and East-Asia Specialist.



Examining everything carefully. – **Dr. Volker Schilling**, Specialist for India, Middle East and Switzerland.



Unique or forgery? Always in search of real value. – **Florian Eichhorn**, Far East Specialist, Association of Philatelic Experts member specialising in Japanese & Korean philately.



His favourite subject is German States. – **Bolko Zimmermann**, Expert for classic philately & postal history.



Axel Dörrenbach, Competence Centre West, Philatelist and Association of Philatelic Experts member specialising in German and international philately.

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⁴ List of Lot Descriptions

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⁵ Our Commission

We only charge commission fees from successful sales. Fees are calculated on the basis of prices realized. Special rates may be arranged in the case of expensive items or particularly valuable consignments.

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You are very welcome to come to our auction!

Results

Results are posted online immediately after the close of each auction. Printed lists of auction realizations are available a few days later.

Payment

We start to issue the credit notes for our consignors 6 weeks after the auction.^{5, 6, 7}

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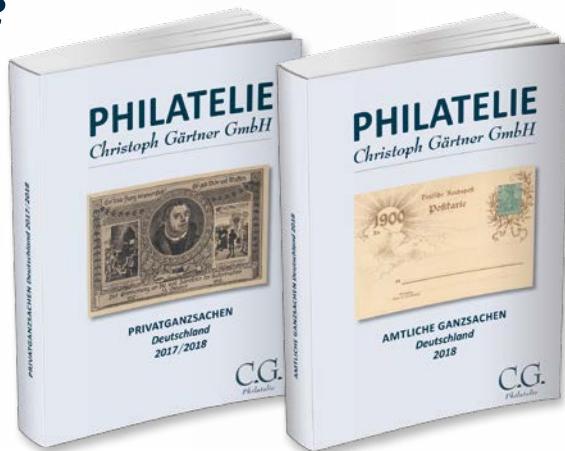


WHERE EVERYTHING BEGAN

The Gärtner Trading House

Soon after gaining his baccalaureate, Christoph Gärtner, himself a passionate stamp collector, founded his first business in March 1984, buying and selling stamps. He had been determined from the outset to operate not only in the German market but also internationally, and consciously placed great emphasis on personally being in touch with his clients around the globe.

C.G. as a brand soon became a household name and within a mere two decades, the one-man business became the global-leading trading house for postal stationery, as well as an expert on thematic collections and postal history.



Christoph Gärtner combines philatelic passion and competence with foresight in business

Buying and selling individual items, large collections, dealer inventories

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FOCUS:

- ***COLLECTIONS AND LOTS***
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for collectors, dealers and mailorder houses*

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SBHV, ATA and numerous associations and societies
worldwide.*



PRIVATE TREATY **'VALUABLE COLLECTABLES'** ***Selected gems and rarities***

Clients all over the world appreciate C.G.'s consulting and brokerage work, even when it comes to automobiles, paintings, jewellery and other gems.

Brokering private sales has always been of great importance to Christoph Gärtner. His 35 years of understanding the market and a comprehensive list of clients and offices around the globe have meant that he has been involved in an increasingly diverse range of such negotiations.

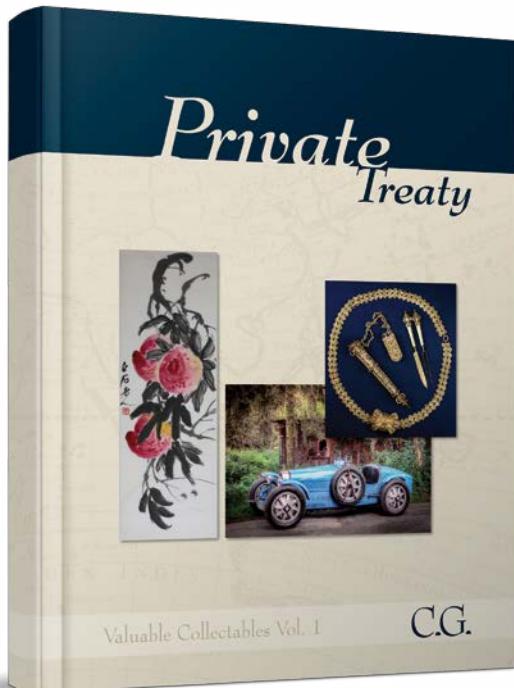
As these negotiations are of particular importance and he still handles them himself – as he always has. He is always looking forward to talking to you in person about spontaneous or future long-term investment strategies.

If you are looking to part with some of your cherished objects and prefer the flexible structures of private treaty, he will be happy to act as your broker and to get in touch with potential clients.



Balloon History:
An exceptional collection
Realized: €541,450

"The average gives the world its substance, the exceptional gives it its value." Oscar Wilde



*A philatelic and logistical challenge:
Arrival of the large 'Worldwide' consignment*



THE NEW C.G. TRADING HOUSE

Over 5,000 square metres in size; the marketplace for wholesale and retail trade

Philately, Numismatics, Banknotes, Accessories, and Literature

At the opening ceremony of the current Headquarters of C.G. Collectors World in 2005, customers and industry experts agreed that the new company building was generously proportioned. No one, however, would have imagined then that three large auctions, comprising approximately 40,000 lots, would take place each year, and that the purchasing of complete stocks (some weighing in the region of double-digits of tons) by the trading house, would be anything more than a one-off business. Soon the trading company was forced to switch to several external warehouses, which required an enormous logistical effort.

At the beginning of 2019, Christoph Gärtner therefore decided to search for a suitable building with sufficient room and storage capacity in close proximity to the parent company.

His plan was not only to merge the stocks held in the external warehouses, but also to integrate the wholesale division and to relocate the entire trading company there.

Plenty of space for bulky items



Our new location at Walheimer Str. 2 in Bietigheim-Bissingen

In April 2019, just in time for the trading company's 35th anniversary, the deal for the perfect location at Walheimer Str. 2 in Bietigheim-Bissingen took place.

With an area of more than 5,000 square metres (roughly 54,000 square feet), the location offers comfortable space for both wholesale and retail trade, has large storage capacity comprising 3,000 m² of high bay warehousing, interim storage and on-hand inventory, plus spacious offices and meeting rooms.

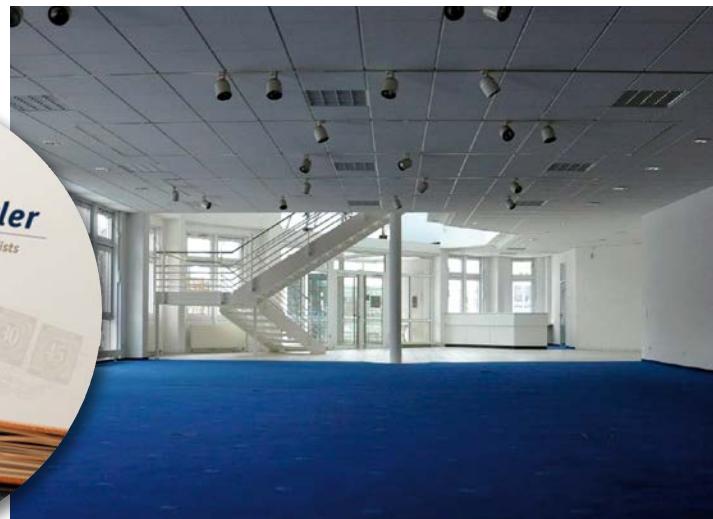
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Projects that inspire us and others



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Claus Petry, Christoph Gärtner, Leonard Hartmann and Peter Lang
(v.l.n.r.) at the C.G. Award 2017 in Monaco

ANNUAL C.G. AWARD International Prize for Philatelic Promotion

The international CG Award aims to promote and maintain philatelic research and expertise and has been awarded since 2013. For the award, the international jury assesses print media, digital media and the promotion of young talent holistically. The competition is open to working groups, societies, associations, clubs as well as publishers of philatelic magazines and newsletters around the world who publish at least one periodical per calendar year. This prize is awarded annually.

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Christoph Gärtner handing over stamp starter sets to young collectors



'LUST AUF BRIEFMARKEN' *Be on the ball with cool stamps*

The project, for which 18-times chess world champion and passionate collector Anatoli Karpov is the patron, is an educational programme initiated by Gärtner Auction Houses providing schools and other educational establishments with stamp starter sets free of charge. Gärtner has donated over 40 million stamps at a total catalogue value of €30m for this project, compiling over 4,000 starter sets with an average of 8,000 to 10,000 stamps from around the world featuring animals, the Olympics, football, sports, and outer space, complete with catalogues, albums, magnifying glasses and tweezers, available across Germany. Upon request, our project partners *German Association of Philatelists* (BdPh), *German Young Philatelists* (DPHJ), and the *Association of Southwest German Stamp Collectors* (LV Südwest) provide educational support.



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Anatoli Karpov and Christoph Gärtner

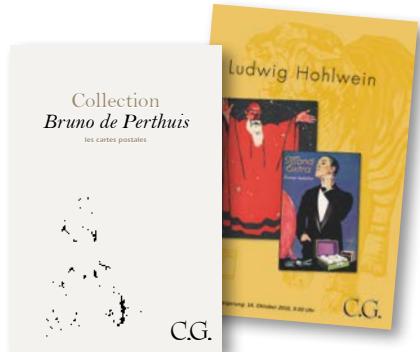
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Anatoli Karpow unterstützt eine Aktion des Auktionshauses Gärtner

Anatoli Karpow (rechts) trägt sich ins Buch ein
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PUBLIC EXHIBITIONS

Our regular exhibitions, often one-of-a-kind and showing objects rarely seen in public exhibitions otherwise, attract visitors from all over the world, sports fans, art lovers, school classes and collectors and are always the talk of the town.



A few highlights:

"Football" (on the occasion of the 2006 and 2011 Womens Football World Cups): A collection by German football legend Erwin Waldner, including original autographs; a postcards collection by sports journalist Dietrich Mauersberg; a thematic collection in the style of a museum collection by Dr Andrea Francesconi.

"Lighter Than Air – History of Hot Air Ballooning, 1783 until today" (February 2013)

"Golf & Chess" (June 2013): A golf sport collection by Dieter H. Schmidt; a private collection of golfer and philatelist Christoph Gärtner; the largest golf exhibit in the world by Jörg Medvejsek (IPCG) as well as the 'Chess – The Royal Realm of 64 Squares' stamp collection.



Exhibition of the Royal Collection's 'Blue Mauritius'



Christoph Gärtner presents a football-themed exhibition in connection with the Women's World Cup, 2011; Headquarter



25th anniversary auction with 'Golf' exhibition



The "Collection Bruno de Perthuis" display

Curious Whisky Exhibition (February 2014): a range of in part rather peculiar wax-sealed decanters filled with exquisite whisky.

"Satirical and political picture postcards of the Belle Époque" (May 2015): Collection by French artist and doctor of contemporary and art history, *Bruno de Perthuis*.

"A Royal Visit" (September 2015): Presentation of the Blue Mauritius and selected rarities from the collection of HM Queen Elisabeth II by curator *Michael Sefi*.

"The Oeuvre of Ludwig Hohlwein" (September 2016): possibly the largest private collection of the poster artist, graphic designer, architect and painter from Munich.

CROSSROADS Seminars and events at our Headquarters

Our auction house in Bietigheim-Bissingen is known as a place where collectors, dealers and investors from all over the world come together. This is why we welcome groups from Germany and abroad and provide them with space for their seminars, symposia and congresses.



Gala dinner and 'Golf' event, 25th anniversary auction



BDPh jurors' workshop



Bicycling around the globe: environmental and peace activist Abishek Kumar stopping at C.G. Auctions



Economic Council 2015



IMOS Congress

Actions speak louder than words ...

Christoph Gärtner is committed to the promotion of different projects furthering philately.



above: World Exhibition in Melbourne, 2013; CG sponsoring the Court of Honour.

right: The Audrey Hepburn Charity Stamp on tour for the benefit of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation



Unter strengen Sicherheitsmaßnahmen zeigten Christof Gärtner (links) und Michael Seif gestern die wertvolle Briefmarke.
KÖNIGIN DER BRIEFMARKEN
Fotos: Alfred Dresel

Die Blaue Mauritius macht einen Stopp in Bietigheim

Berühmteste Briefmarke der Welt im Auktionshaus Gärtner - Direkt aus den königlichen Sammlungen

BIETIGHEIM-BISSINGEN
VON ALFRED CROSSET

Briefmarkensammler bekommen glänzende Augen, wenn sie mit ihren Augen hören: die Mauritius-Gesellen sind die berühmteste Briefmarke der Welt aus den königlichen Sammlungen der britischen Königin im Auktionshaus Gärtner. Eine Steigerung war nicht zu erwarten, steigerung war das wertvolle Päckchen hier, sondern bei einem Zwischenstopp auf dem Wege zu einer Ausstellung im thüringischen Gotha.

„Das hat einen besonderen Grund“, sagt Thomas Höpflner, Vorsitzender des

Schäfer aus der Königlichen Briefmarkensammlung, die my Black und die Two Pence von Großbritannien eben die Blaue Mauritius zeigt. Sie ist ein Symbol der Freiheit und kann sich sehen können. Von der ungeheuren Two Pence Mauritius „Post office“ von 1847 gibt es weltweit nur noch zwölf von ursprünglich 200 Stück.

In Thüringen war die Königin der Briefmarken zuletzt 100 Jahre zu sehen. In Prag gaben besondere Anlässe zu der 14. Philatelieausstellung in der Thüringer Residenzstadt: Vor 150 Jahren wurde die Königin der Briefmarken zum ersten Mal in Prag ausgestellt. Ein Preis für die Prag-Ausstellung geht an Christopher Gärtner, der Präsident der C.G. Auction House.

C.G. Main Sponsor & Official Auctioneer

WORLD STAMP EXHIBITION

PRAGA 2018



Lord Mayor of Bietigheim-Bissingen, Jürgen Kessing and Heidrun Gärtner



Christoph Gärtner donating his homeland collection to the city of Bietigheim-Bissingen (2015).



Christoph Gärtner and Vít Vaniček, President of the WORLD STAMP EXHIBITION PRAGA 2018.

The C.G. Auction House was the main sponsor and philatelic partner of the PRAGA 2018.



We also offer assistance in the design and publication of philatelic oeuvres. Various editions including those for Horst Diederichs, Jürgen Naab, a DASV jubilee publication, a special issue for Briefmarkenclub Hannover and many more

Some comments from our customers

Dear friend Christopher;

On behalf of the WSE BRASILIANA 2013's Organizing Committee, I would like to thank you for all the technical and financial support provided for the printing of the Brochure offered to all exhibitors and participants of the International Seminar (Thematic Philately, Postal History and Postal Stationery) occurred during the exhibition. Your support was essential to our exhibition.

You have our gratitude. We hope to count on your support in future exhibitions in Brazil.

Hugs from Brazil, REINALDO MACEDO

Dear Chris,

I would like to take the opportunity to thank you on behalf of the Rhode Island Philatelic Society (RIPS - which is the oldest active Philatelic Society in the United States) for donating over 200 stamp albums that were given away to each and every attending child under the age of 21 who took part in the 2016 Philatelic Quiz Contest during RIPS's Annual Philatelic Show, an event that was both promoted and covered by NBC National television. Your generous donation has sparked interest in several young collectors and future philatelists. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for all that you do for our hobby; philately could use more generous patrons like you.

SANDEEP JAISWAL, USA

Many thanks for your German workmanship which is top of the world.

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 - Multilingual business communication (German, English, French, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, Polish, Czech, Russian, Turkish, Chinese, Japanese, Russian, Spanish)

 - individual advisory services for philatelic exhibition collections by Christoph Gärtner himself



Any further questions? Please contact us, and we will be pleased to assist you

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Christoph Gärtner – 55.000 Kilometres in 15 Days

25th July 2013

06.30 pm drive from **Bietigheim-Bissingen**, Germany to the airport in **Frankfurt/Germany**
08.45 pm got a call: confirmation that we are chosen, over specialised auction houses, to auction the '**Karl Stehle' estate**' | probably the most important collection of political picture postcards worldwide, incl. History, WWI and Third Reich propaganda cards – in total over 400,000 cards
10.00 pm flight to **Singapore** | flight time 12.25 hours

26th July 2013

05:00 pm 2 meetings at the airport in Singapore | delivery of auction lots and obtaining consignments
09:00 pm flight to **Melbourne** | flight time 7.20 hours

27th July 2013

07:10 am first meeting in Melbourne | consignment: 2 cartons of letters
09:30 am meeting with my agent in Australia and route planning for 2 days
10:00 am extensive view of a great collection in the rented conference room in the RACV-Club
12:00 pm consignment of a prominent philatelist
01:45 pm consignment including 3 volumes Netherlands and colonies: valuable
04:00 pm on a visit to a well-known painter – visit to his atelier | consignment: collections
05:00 pm drive to the next meeting | ca. 200 km away
07:30 pm until 11.30 pm evaluation of collections (bulk and albums) on 10 shelves in 2 rooms

28th July 2013

09:00 am business conferences – among other topics a surprising big item (thus I have to travel to Australia again within the next 8 days)
02:15 pm back in **Melbourne** | consignment of beautiful single lots and collections starting with classics
04:15 pm consignment collections of China, Eastern Bloc, Benelux, etc., each starting from the beginning
06:10 pm consignment of a US classics collection and a collection of France starting at the beginning
08:00 pm business lunch | meeting concerning the consignment of valuable collections

29th July 2013

00:05 am flight **Melbourne – Singapore** | 8 hours
08:00 am first great highlight of my tour – brilliant consignment | 300 albums of British Colonies and Asia from the beginning in 38 cartons
02:30 pm successful consignment of Europe as well as Australia, New Zealand and Asia | 55 volumes
06:00 pm until 10.00 pm: 4 appointments in the hotel | the result: 3 consignments

30th July 2013

08:00 am appointment in the hotel | consignment: French India, etc.
10:00 am meeting with the former President of FIP | lovely consignment: among others great collections Mexico, picture postcards and postal history 'All World' | 11 cartons
01:30 pm appointment with a China collector
02:30 pm give expert advice to a financial manager, who wants to develop his collection
05:00 pm appointment with a great private collector, who keeps out of the public eye
08:00 pm meeting with a great collector at his home | passed to him his valuable purchases from our last auction | take away a consignment of a beautiful Asia postal history collection
11:00 pm appointment with a businessman about his Malayan States consignment

31st July 2013

until
03:30 pm several meetings in the hotel | got various smaller consignments
06:35 pm Flight **Singapore – Bangkok** | 2.25 hours
08:00 pm arrival Bangkok local time

1st August 2013

10:00 am World Stamp Exhibition: preparing our booth and some appointments in the exhibition hall
09.00 pm appointment with a great collector Thailand, negotiation concerning consignments

2nd August 2013

from
08:00 am exhibition starts
10:30 pm consignment of good collection of Thailand

3rd August 2013

07:00 am meeting on the outskirts of Bangkok | several good single lots Worldwide
10:00 am again at the exhibition | telephone calls with customers in different continents (amongst others the confirmation of the consignment of a USA collection, cat. value US\$ 300,000)

4th August 2013

09.00 am back at the exhibition
01.00 pm voluminous consignment | a big stock of Asia
02.30 pm meeting with an important exhibitor | consulting him about a 'new exhibition collection'
06.25 pm Flight **Bangkok – Sydney** | 9.20 hours

5th August 2013

06:45 am arrival in Sydney local time
09:15 am flight to **Cairns/Queensland**
12:25 pm arrival in **Cairns**
01:00 pm viewing of an enormous stock of covers:
several hundred thousands
10:00 pm agreement concerning a great consignment
340 cartons covers of All World

6th August 2013

06:00 am the handling of the great cover stock starts
01:10 pm flight **Cairns – Sydney** | 2.55 hours
06:45 pm flight **Sydney – Bangkok** | 9.25 hours

7th August 2013

01:10 am arrival in Bangkok
02:40 am arrival at the hotel in the middle of the night
09:00 am back at the exhibition hall in time | all in all
Christoph Gärtner personally examined more than 300 exhibits with more than 2,000 frames
and made a lot of notes

8th August 2013

08:00 am consignment of the estate of a former newspaper publisher from Hong Kong
10:00 am back in time at the exhibition | today many consignments at our booth – more than 10 consignments mostly focused on Asian
11:00 pm meeting with an entrepreneur | nice consignments e.g. Thailand postal history

9th August 2013

till
06:00 pm spent most of the day with a consignor | it was worth it!
11:55 pm flight **Bangkok – Frankfurt** | 11.15 hours

10th August 2013

06:10 am arrival in Frankfurt
08:15 am short stop at the office to unload, then short visit home and back to the office....

Résumé:

555,000 flight kilometres | 66:15 hours by airplane including 5 night flights | a vast number of hours by car and by taxi | was worth the effort: more than 50 consignments with a starting price of over 2 million Euros



Christoph Gärtner at the World Exhibition Melbourne 2013

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Visiting us is worth it – not only philatelically. Our Headquarters are located close to Ludwigsburg, the City of Châteaux. It is a baroque gem among Baden-Württemberg's cultural centres. Bietigheim-Bissingen itself is also rather charming, making a stroll around the picturesque Old Town a particularly enjoyable experience.

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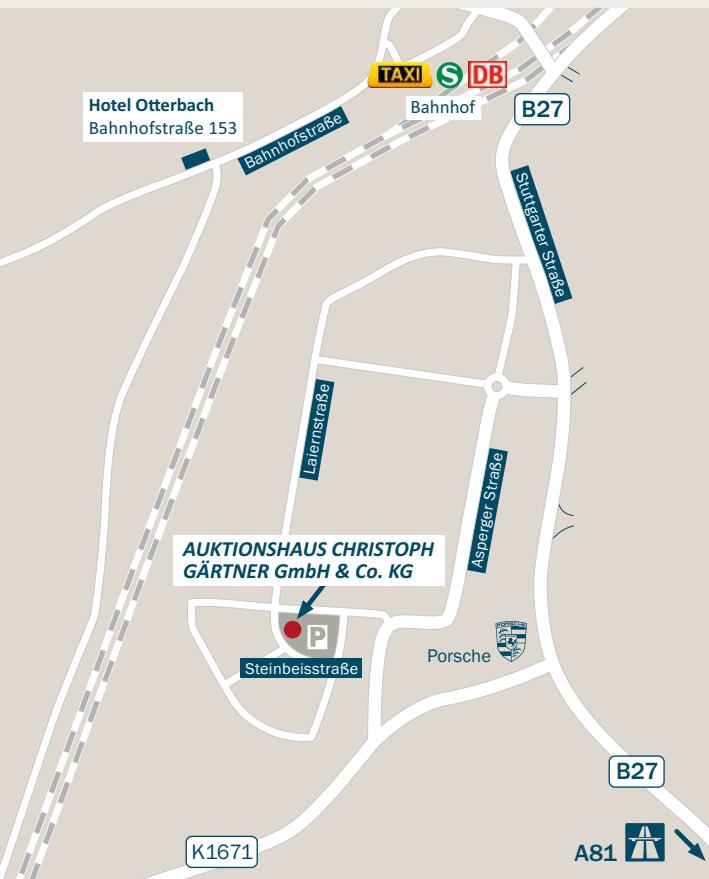
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1. ...by car

- highway (Autobahn) A 81 Stuttgart - Heilbronn
- exit: Ludwigsburg-Nord
- B 27 direction Bietigheim-Bissingen
- first traffic light left (in front of Porsche company)
- direction Tamm/Gewerbegebiet Laiern III
- next traffic light right
- first possibility left (enter Robert-Bosch-Straße)
- immediately left again
- right into the Steinbeisstraße and at the company flags right again onto our parking lots

2. ...by public transport

- from the main station in Stuttgart take the subway S 5 (S-Bahn) direction Bietigheim
- after 25 min. arrival in Bietigheim at track 5/6
- downstairs in the underpass, keep right in direction Buch or track 8, 9, 10...
- upstairs keep right and cross the zebra crossing and traffic lights
- along the Stuttgarter Straße / B27 till the intersection with Industriestraße
- keep right in the Industriestraße, go straight ahead along Laiernstraße, pass the companies Hofmeister and Breckle till the coffee shop Bäckerei Stöckle, across you can see our blue company building
- the footway lasts about 12 minutes

3. ...by plane

- 30-minute taxi ride from Stuttgart airport to Bietigheim-Bissingen
- or the metro S-Bahn S 2 or S 3 will take you to the Stuttgart main station in 27 minutes
then just take public transportation as described

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