



MARY HELEN MCCOY
Fine Antiques

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AT THE INTERNATIONAL FINE ART AND ANTIQUE DEALERS SHOW

~ Quality of Offerings Hailed in *The New York Times* ~

CHARLESTON, S.C., Oct. 30, 2008 – Mary Helen McCoy, president of the Charleston-based gallery, Mary Helen McCoy Fine Antiques, was among the world’s premier dealers selected to exhibit at The International Fine Art and Antique Dealers Show which took place at The Park Avenue Armory on New York City’s Upper East Side from October 17 to 23. “The International Show”, which celebrated its 20th anniversary, is one of the most prestigious fairs on calendars worldwide and has been named, “The best antiques show in the United States,” by *Town & Country Magazine*.

Exhibiting among the crème de la crème of the world’s finest antique dealers, Mary Helen McCoy was praised by antiques expert Wendy Moonan who wrote in *The New York Times* that she was one of the “few dealers showing great French furniture.” “We were very gratified by the interest our antiques attracted from top collectors,” Mary Helen McCoy said. “My son Michael Ford, a director of our firm, and I were pleased to attend the preview party which benefited The Society of Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center and to greet fellow Charlestonians, among whom were Julia Merck, George Nagrodsky, Lucienne and Greg Van Schaack and Nancy and Brad Walker when they visited our display.” This show is attended by premier interior designers. Among the design luminaries attracted to Mary Helen McCoy’s offerings were Nancy Boszhardt, Ralph Harvard, Noel Jeffrey, Alex Papachristidis, Odile de Schietère-Longchamp and Stephen Sills.

The International Show is remembered as the first art fair in the United States to introduce vetting. Vetting follows a stringent set of guidelines designed to maintain the highest standards of quality and authenticity of the works of art on display. Buyers at vetted shows are thus assured that the art and antiques have been examined by specialist committees and approved for quality and authenticity.

You can view a selection of the treasures the world’s great collectors saw at the New York City show at Mary Helen McCoy Fine Antiques, 120 King Street in Charleston, S.C., open Monday to Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. For more information, call 843-577-6445, fax 843-577-6447, e-mail MHMcAntq@aol.com or visit www.maryhelenmccoy.com.

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