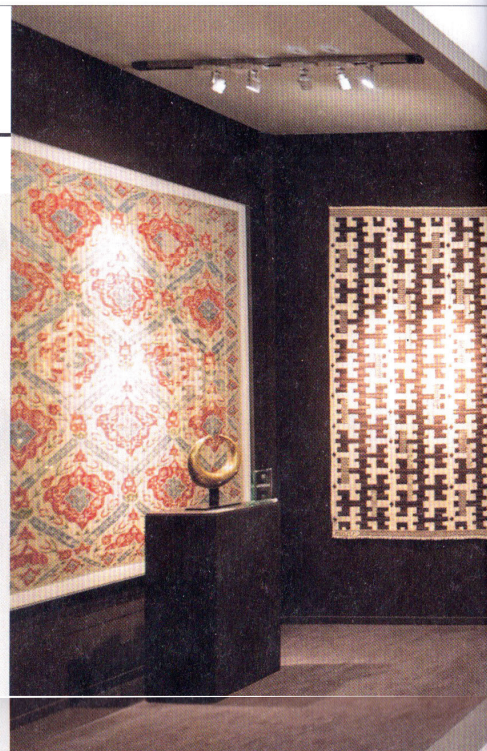


Raise a glass

Prestigious Chelsea fair *Masterpiece* can even boast an official champagne partner



Above: the Hon Mrs Philip Leyland Kindersley (née Donagh Guinness) was a famous socialite and art collector. Daughter of Ernest Guinness and granddaughter of Edward Guinness, head of the Guinness brewery, she is depicted here in 1931 by Philip de Laszlo (1869-1937). The oil is offered for a price in the region of **£400,000** by Philip Mould. The dealer has partnered with designer Sims Hilditch to create a stand with the theme *Feminine Glamour – A Celebration of Women in Art*.

Below: folk art specialist Robert Young brings this marriage cupboard from northern Europe inscribed and dated 1827. It is painted and patinated pine with original hinges, escutcheons, lock and key, and is offered for **£12,500**.



Above: the bronze statue of David, Victor of Goliath was one of the most popular works by French artist Antonin Mercié (1845-1916).

The plaster model was introduced in 1872, with Orientalist decorations (the figure's turban, sword and the decoration around the plinth) which appealed to viewers of the time. The original is now in the Musée d'Orsay.

While there are many reproductions, most feature an added loincloth, while this example offered by Univers du Bronze for **£800,000** is the original nude.

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When
June 30-July 6

Preview day
Wednesday June 29

What
More than 125 international exhibitors stand at the glitzy Chelsea fair, which boasts Champagne Pol Roger as its 'Official Champagne

Partner' and Château Léoube as the Official Rosé Wine Partner. It shares some exhibitors with *TEFAF Maastricht*, but usually is the more Contemporary of the two, with specially commissioned installations at the entrance to the event.

Where
South Grounds, The Royal Hospital Chelsea, London, SW3 4LW

Admission Price
Standard ticket £45
Repeat Access £60
PV day ticket £145
VIP ticket £245
(discounts available for 'early bird' purchases)

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