

Holabird's Western Frontiers auction, October 13-16, online and live in Reno, features many collections and categories

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RENO, NV, UNITED STATES, September 29, 2022 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Collections and categories will be plentiful and on full display at Holabird Western Americana Collections' massive four-day [Western Frontiers auction](#) being held October 13-16, online and live in the Reno gallery at 3555 Airway Drive. The 2,100-lot sale will feature Native and general Americana, mining, Express, numismatics, art, bottles, stocks, and more.



Beautiful, circa 1900 red Mesa Chief pattern rug, 6 feet by 6 feet 5 inches, in generally good condition with no major defects (est. \$5,000-\$7,000).

Headlining the event will be [Part 3 of the Gary Bracken collection](#). Parts 1 and 2 (also held by Holabird) were huge successes, and more great rarities from the collection of the Ponca City, Oklahoma lawyer will feature Native Americana (to include baskets and pottery), Colorado and Oklahoma tokens, foreign coins, Colorado whiskey jugs, and saloon ephemera and billheads.

Also up for bid will be more great items from the Tucson mining museum collection of Jim and Barbara Sherman, including a Wild West / Law & Order document group with signatures of key Western lawmen and figures such as Pat Garrett, Emmett Dalton, and Sam Houston; a contract signed by both Buffalo Bill and Pawnee Bill; US gold coins; autographs and mining artifacts.

New to the lineup will be Part 1 of a private, world-class Nevada (and California) mining collection. Included is a fantastic Nevada philatelic/Express section with Wells Fargo covers from numerous Nevada mining camps. Also, rare Colorado mining ephemera and stocks from a private collection will come up for bid, with many of the stocks never before offered at auction.

The Cameron Holloway collection features gorgeous Native American and other Southwest rugs and weavings on Day 4; Ansel Adams photographic prints on Day 3; and a large selection of musical instruments on Day 1. Also on offer will be more from the Joe Elcano Nevada mining collection, featuring over 50 different Nevada territorial stocks, plus Joe's research and stories.

The large Native Americana section contains jewelry, beadwork, and a large group of beautiful rugs and weavings. Historical and political collectibles will include presidents including Lincoln, Harrison, Teddy Roosevelt, JFK, and more. The art category will feature a small group of Ansel Adams Yosemite prints, oil and watercolor paintings, scenic prints, and Western illustrations.

General Americana will be packed with photographs, books and artifacts from Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, and more; plus smaller categories, like gaming, tobacciana, hard goods and musical instruments. Numismatics will feature gold US and foreign coins; medals, exonumia, a large scrip collection, and tokens (from California, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Indian Traders).

Mining will contain gold ore specimens from the Dr. James A. Saunders collection; rare Western mining ephemera from Arizona, California, Colorado, and Nevada; and artifacts that include lamps, assay, gold pans, and scales. Militaria will feature items from the Mexican War, Civil War, Indian Wars, and World Wars I/II, including



Gibson ES175 Sunburst electric guitar (no serial number), with factory Bixby whammy bar, dark swirl pick guard and hard case (est. \$5,000-\$10,000).



Mammoth framed Yosemite print of a snow-covered tree by Ansel Adams, circa 1959, signed lower right in pencil by Adams, 19 inches by 15 ½ inches less frame (est. \$5,000-\$9,000).

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Day 1, on Thursday, October 13th, will showcase Express and philatelic and general Americana, geographically sorted and including miscellaneous categories such as gaming, tobacciana, and musical instruments. Lot 1401 is a Gibson ES175 Sunburst electric guitar (no serial number), with a factory Bixby whammy bar, dark swirl pickguard, and hard case (est. \$5,000-\$10,000).

Day 2, on Friday, October 14th, includes political collectibles; militaria, firearms, and weaponry; mining artifacts and ephemera; and stock certificates and bonds (with Colorado and Nevada mining, railroad, and miscellaneous). A 6.61 troy oz. ore specimen from the Sleeper Mine in Humboldt, Nev., with Native gold disseminated throughout the quartz, should hit \$800-\$2,000.

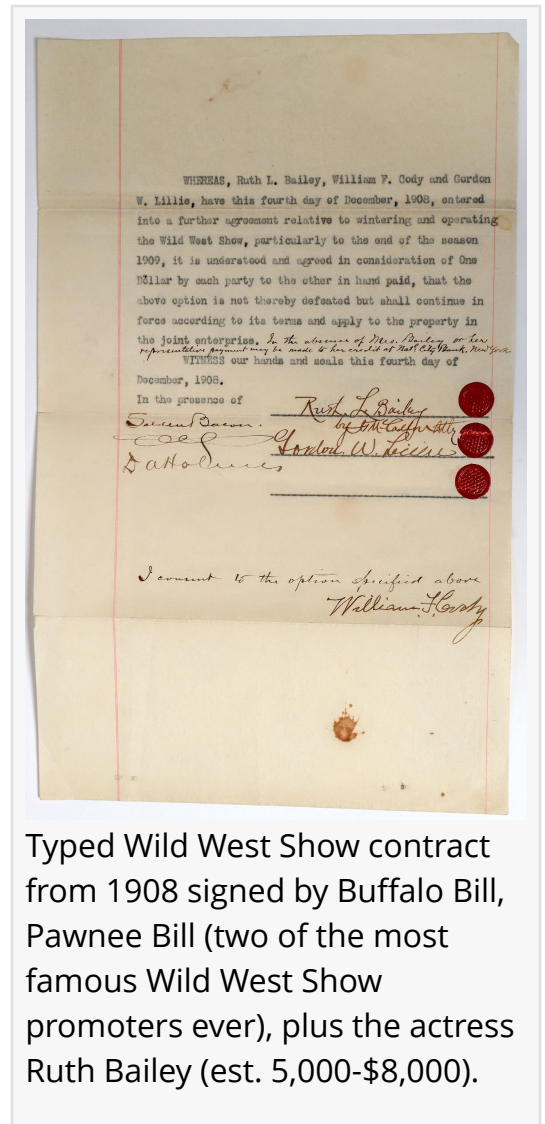
A collection of 50 circa 1910 stock certificates from the Manhattan mines in Nye County, Nev., with nearly all of them having the word Manhattan in the title, carries a pre-sale estimate of \$800-\$1,500; while a group of five 19th-century letters written and signed by US naval officers David Porter, John Rogers, Charles Stewart, and Will Bainbridge should realize \$700-\$1,100.

Day 3, on Saturday, October 15th, will highlight art, Wild West law and order, cowboy, and numismatics (to include coins, currency and scrip, medals and exnumia, and tokens). US gold coins will include an 1897 Liberty Head \$20 coin, nearly flawless save for a couple of nicks on the cheek. The coin, expected to grade in the mid-MS60s, is estimated to finish at \$3,000-\$5,000.

The typed Wild West Show contract from 1908 signed by Buffalo Bill, Pawnee Bill (two of the most famous Wild West Show promoters ever), plus the actress Ruth Bailey, measuring 9 ¾ inches by 8 inches, has an estimate of \$5,000-\$8,000. Also, a mammoth framed Yosemite print of a snow-covered tree by Ansel Adams, circa 1959, signed lower right in pencil by Adams, measuring 19 inches by 15 ½ inches (print size, less frame) is expected to make \$5,000-\$9,000.

Day 4, on Sunday, October 16th, could end up being the busiest day of the auction. It will be led by Native Americana (to include baskets, pottery, jewelry, rugs, apparel and artifacts, and art and ephemera); saloon and brewing ephemera; and bottles. Start times (all for days) is 8 am Pacific.

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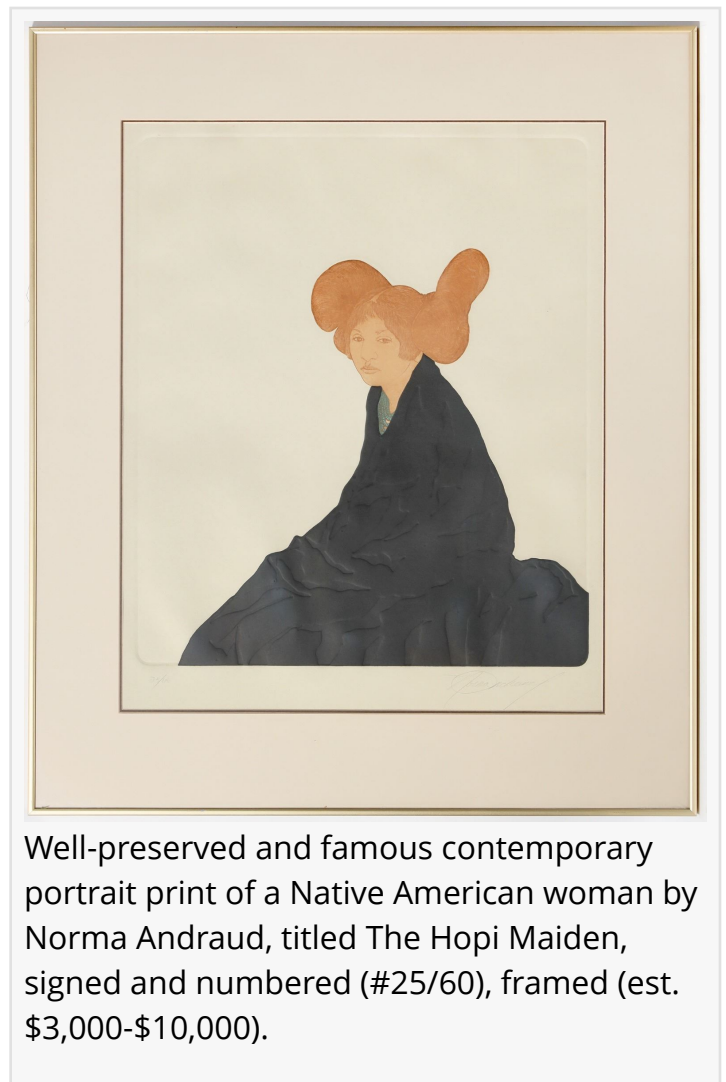


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condition with no major defects, should change hands for \$5,000-\$7,000. Also, a well-preserved and famous contemporary portrait print of a Native American woman by Norma Andraud, titled The Hopi Maiden, signed and numbered (#25/60) and in a frame, should fetch \$3,000-\$10,000.

A vintage Zuni turquoise petit point seed bead squash blossom necklace with twelve flower design blossoms, twisted silver and silver bead designed settings and cast Naja, should garner \$2,600-\$4,600; while a (possibly) Morenci turquoise squash blossom necklace with 14 blossoms set with turquoise stones in twisted silver and very unusual Naja, should sell for \$1,600-\$3,000.

A circa 1900-1910 Apache olla basket on a three-stitch foundation with stacked triangles design and background made with willow or sumac, the black design made with Devil's Claw, should hit \$2,000-\$4,000. Also, a near mint jug for M. Goodman (Cripple Creek, Colo.), 8 ¼ inches tall, smaller than a ½ gallon, tan glaze, an unlisted variant of Preble J32 should go for \$1,000-\$2,000.



Well-preserved and famous contemporary portrait print of a Native American woman by Norma Andraud, titled The Hopi Maiden, signed and numbered (#25/60), framed (est. \$3,000-\$10,000).

Internet bidding will be provided by iCollector.com, LiveAuctioneers.com, Invaluable.com, and Auctionzip.com. Color catalogs are available by calling 1-844-492-2766, or 775-851-1859.

Holabird has auctions lined up for December and January that will feature items from the S.S. Central America. The firm is seeking treasure-related items, ingots, gold nuggets, and Gold Rush collectibles to add to these sales, which will feature "Treasures from the Land & Sea". It is also looking for consignments from mining, railroadiana, Native Americana, numismatics, and bottles.

Anyone owning a collection that might fit into a Holabird Western Americana Collections auction is encouraged to get in touch. The firm travels throughout the U.S., to see and pick up collections. The company has agents all over America and will travel to inspect most collections.

Holabird Western Americana Collections, LLC is always seeking new and major collections to bring to market. It prides itself on being a major source for selling Americana at the best prices obtainable, having sold more than any other similar company in the past decade alone. The firm

will have its entire sales database online soon, at no cost – nearly 200,000 lots sold since 2014.

To consign a single piece or a collection, you may call Fred Holabird at 775-851-1859 or 844-492-2766; or, you can send an e-mail to fredholabird@gmail.com. To learn more about Holabird Western Americana Collections and the four-day Western Frontiers auction from Oct. 13th-16th, online and live in the Reno gallery, visit www.holabirdamericana.com. Updates are posted often.

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