A CENTURY OF CINEMA'S GREATEST STORIES COMES TO LIFE IN $1.5 MILLION MOVIE POSTER AUCTION

Rare posters from Mickey's Pal Pluto, Hard to Handle, The Maltese Falcon, Seven Samurai and more lead Propstore's spectacular sale

LOS ANGELES, CA, UNITED STATES, September 10, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Propstore, one of the world's leading entertainment memorabilia auction houses, presents its upcoming Fall Collectible Posters Auction. Spanning more than a century of cinema, the extraordinary $1.5 million sale brings together nearly 1,000 lots, from rare silent-era treasures and Golden Age classics to modern blockbusters, alongside an exceptional collection of autographed posters. Offered over three days from October 9 - 11, 2026, the auction gives fans and collectors a rare opportunity to own the artwork that brought some of cinema's most defining stories to life.

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> *Grey Smith, Director of Posters US at Propstore*

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

Leading the sale is a rare one sheet poster for Walt Disney's Mickey's Pal Pluto (1933), estimated at $40,000 - $80,000. Dating from the early years of Mickey Mouse and Pluto's screen partnership, the poster holds particular historical importance as the first Disney short to feature Pluto's name in its title. Offered by Propstore for the first time, this exceptionally scarce piece offers collectors a vivid glimpse into a formative period in Disney animation.

Hollywood's pre-Code era is represented by a spectacular stone lithograph one sheet poster for Hard to Handle (1933), estimated at $12,000 - $24,000. Featuring the tagline "Hey, folks—I'm back," the poster heralded James Cagney's return to Warner Bros. following his highly publicized contract dispute with the studio. Offered by Propstore for the first time and one of only a few examples to have surfaced at auction, this rarity captures the exuberant screen presence that made Cagney one of the defining stars of 1930s cinema.

International cinema is represented by a magnificent country-of-origin Japanese B2 poster for

Akira Kurosawa's Seven Samurai (1954), estimated at $12,000 - $24,000. Its dramatic photomontage features Toshiro Mifune in full armor alongside Keiko Tsushima and Takashi Shimura, capturing the tension and scale of one of cinema's most influential masterpieces. The film's enduring legacy stretches far beyond Japan, inspiring countless filmmakers and famously providing the basis for the classic Western The Magnificent Seven.

Propstore's Fall Collectible Posters Auction will take place over three days from October 9 - 11, 2026. Day One of the sale will be a live-streamed online event, with Days Two and Three online only, starting at 09:30 AM PST / 5:30 PM GMT each day.

Bids can be placed from anywhere in the world via Propstore.com

The full catalog is now available online, and bidding is live at https://propstoreauction.com/auctions/info/id/527



MICKEY'S PAL PLUTO (1933) One Sheet Poster - (28" x 41.25" / Linen Backed) est. $40,000 - $80,000

Top lots to be sold at Propstore's Collectible Posters Auction (with estimated sale prices) include:
MICKEY'S PAL PLUTO (1933) One Sheet Poster - (28" x 41.25" / Linen Backed) est. $40,000 - $80,000 (£30,000 - £61,000)
THE MALTESE FALCON (1941) First Post-War Italian Fogli - (39" x 27" / Stone Lithograph / Linen-Backed / Artist: Sergio Gargiulo) est. $15,000 - $30,000 (£11,000 - £23,000)
SEVEN SAMURAI (1954) Japanese B2 Poster - (20" x 28.25" / Linen Backed) est. $12,000 - $24,000 (£9,000 - £18,000)
HARD TO HANDLE (1933) One Sheet Poster - (27.25" x 41" / Stone Lithograph / Linen Backed) est. $12,000 - $24,000 (£9,000 - £18,000)
LA DOLCE VITA (1960) Italian Four Fogli - (55" x 77" / Linen-Backed / Artist: Giorgio Olivetti) est. $10,000 - $20,000 (£7,500 - £15,000)
STAR WARS: A NEW HOPE (1977) One Sheet Poster - (27" x 41" / Mounted on Foam Board / R-1993 / Style A / Killian Enterprises / Signed by x11 / Artists: Greg and Tim Hildebrandt / BECKETT COA ON BACK) est. $9,500 - $19,000 (£7,200 - £14,400)
BEAUTY AND THE BEAST (1946) Italian Foglio Poster - (27.5" x 39" / Linen Backed / Artist: Marino) est. $6,000 - $12,000 (£5,000 - £9,000)
FOR A FEW DOLLARS MORE (1965) Italian Four Fogli - (54.5" x 77" / Linen-Backed / Artist: Franco Fiorenzi) est. $6,000 - $12,000 (£5,000 - £9,000)
MR. DEEDS GOES TO TOWN (1936) Three Sheet Poster - (41" x 79.5" / Linen Backed) est. $6,000 - $12,000 (£5,000 - £9,000)

SUPERNATURAL (1933) Window Card (14" x 22") est. $6,000 - $12,000 (£5,000 - £9,000)

Grey Smith, Director of Posters US at Propstore, commented on the upcoming auction: “This auction brings together an extraordinary range of movie poster history, from material dating back more than a century to some of the most recognizable images ever created for the screen. Mickey’s Pal Pluto is an exceptionally rare piece from the formative years of Disney animation, while the striking Hard to Handle poster captures James Cagney at the height of his pre-Code popularity. With nearly 1,000 lots spanning silent cinema, international masterpieces, animation and an impressive selection of autographed pieces, Propstore is giving collectors at every level the chance to own an original piece of cinema history.”

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https://propstoreauction.com/auctions/info/id/527
Images are available in the following Dropbox link (please copy and paste URL):
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About Propstore
Founded in 1998 by film enthusiast Stephen Lane, Propstore has grown from a collector’s passion project into one of the world’s foremost authorities on entertainment memorabilia. The company bridges the worlds of film, art, and collecting—offering access to authentic screen-used props, costumes, and production artefacts that bring cinematic history to life.

Working in close partnership with many of the world’s leading film studios, production companies, and entertainment brands, Propstore curates exclusive auctions and sales throughout the year, giving fans and collectors unparalleled access to items direct from the source.

Since 2014, Propstore has hosted globally acclaimed live auctions featuring artefacts from the greatest moments in film and television. Alongside its flagship events, Propstore also runs regular online auctions and studio collaborations, with more than 2,000 items available for immediate purchase at www.propstore.com

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