## **Prized Pair Come to Charterhouse**

A pair of oil paintings of a prized bull and cow are included in the Charterhouse two day auction on 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> January.

"Animals are a perennial favourite at auction and this pair of cattle will generate interest not only from farmers but also collectors, interior designers and decorators such is their charm," commented Richard Bromell.

Painted by Freda Nellie Skinner they are of a prized Champion Devon Red bull and a cow. Freda Skinner was born in 1911 and grew up on a farm. She painted both cattle when she was just 11 and twelve years old.



A prized pair of Devon Red Cattle

With natural talent, she went on to study sculpture under Henry Moore at the Royal College of Art and was appointed head of sculpture at Wimbledon School of Art 1945-1971. She moved to Wiltshire in 1987 where she passed away in 1993.

They come to the Charterhouse sale from a West Country farm. With the owner passing away, the family retained personal items and instructed Charterhouse to auction the items surplus to family needs and clear the residual items.

Estimated at £300-500 the pair they are included in the Charterhouse auction of pictures, prints, books and maps on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> January, followed by Decorative Arts, Mid-Century Modern, Beswick, antiques & interiors on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> January.

Charterhouse are now accepting entries for this and their other auctions in the New Year including silver, jewellery & watches on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> and wine, port & whisky on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February followed by classic and vintage cars & motorcycles on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February.

With the current lockdown now ended, Charterhouse valuers are available once again for home visits and valuations, whilst adhering to government guidelines.

To arrange a home visit contact **Richard Bromell** and the team at Charterhouse, The Long Street Salerooms, Sherborne 01935 812277 or **email info@charterhouse-auction.com**