Silver Surprise.

A collection of Stuart Devlin silver surprise eggs and baubles are expected to sell for thousands of pounds when they go under the Charterhouse hammer in their silver and jewellery auction on **Thursday 6**th **February**.

"The owner lived in Surrey in the 1970's and 1980's and regularly shopped in London at the weekend," commented Richard Bromell. "Often on her shopping trips she treated herself buying limited edition surprise silver commemorative, Easter and Christmas baubles from Stuart Devlin."

With his distinctive silver designs Stuart Devlin is highly sought after by collectors. Born in Australia. In 1965 he moved to London and opened a small workshop. This marked the beginning of his own distinctive style which included limited edition eggs and Christmas baubles which when twisted open to reveal surprise interiors from Easter bunnies to Christmas carol singers.

"I have seen and sold many of the Devlin surprise eggs over the years, but rarely have I come across his Christmas baubles," commented Richard Bromell. "With the baubles estimated at £300 - £500 each I don't think I'll be buying one for this year's Christmas tree!"



Bauble Carol Singers

In the collection, there are five silver surprise baubles and seven surprise eggs, along with a vase and two spoons, which are all estimated to sell for up to £6,000 at Charterhouse in Sherborne in their two day auction on **Thursday 6th and Friday 7th February.**



Stuart Devlin silver surprise Easter Eggs and Christmas Baubles

Viewing for the auctions, which includes 100's of lot so silver, jewellery, wine, port, antiques and interiors, is at The Long Street Salerooms in Sherborne on **Wednesday 5th and Thursday 6th**. Alternatively, you can see all the lots on **www.charterhouse-auction.com** where you can bid and follow the auction live.

Charterhouse are accepting entries for their busy programme of specialist auctions including classic and vintage cars on Sunday 9th February, coins, medals, stamps and collector's items in March and pictures, books and maps in April.

For further information regarding these specialist auctions, or to arrange a home visit, contact **Richard Bromell** and the team of experts at Charterhouse, The Long Street Salerooms, Sherborne **01935 812277** or email **info@charterhouse-auction.com**