



DIGARD AUCTION

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Simone **SIGNORET** Yves **MONTAND**

Autheuil's Memories



DIGARD AUCTION is pleased to announce the auction of SIGNORET-MONTAND'S collection. Including: paintings, furniture, works of art, jewelry, scenarios, stage clothes, lms and sound tapes, shooting pictures, awards and gold records, autographs and correspondences between Simone SIGNORET, Yves MONTAND and Edith PIAF, memories from a place they loved and from their daily lives.

"Autheuil is a big house. In 1954, the fifty-five miles from Paris made it feel like it was located on the other side of the world.

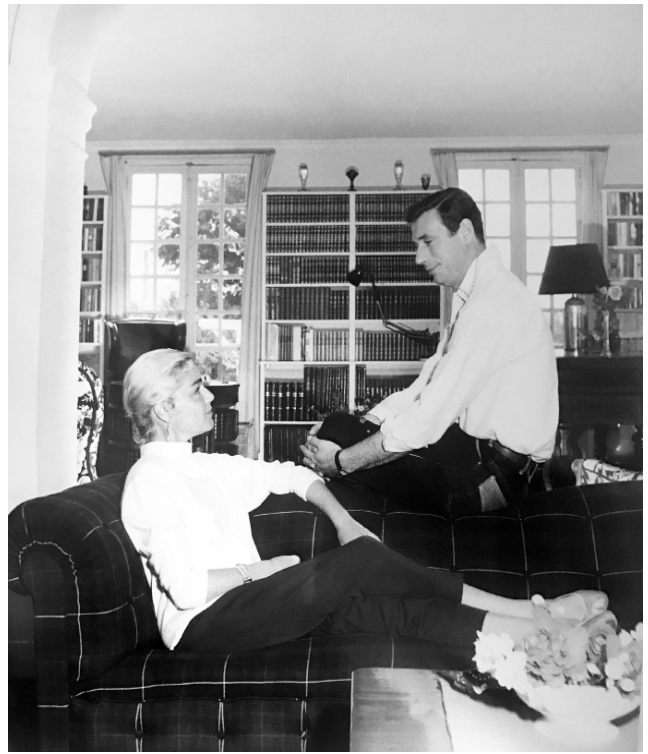
While looking at it, MONTAND used to say: "There are many "Battling Joe" and "dead leaves" in there... It is a house for summer, winter, fall and spring ... Many people can live and work in it without disturbing each other, without even meeting each other.

It quickly became a community house where people would laugh but also work very seriously.

It is the perfect place for the big « ambassadeurs » or « assassins » games, as well as practicing for a performance or writing scenarios and book scripts.

It is a lovely house , where those who have come before, come back again."

Simone SIGNORET – "Nostalgia isn't what it Used to be"



What will be included in this auction :

The piano - which was in Autheuil's living room and on which Yves MONTAND practiced and sang many songs with his assistant Bob CASTELLA - will be one of the major pieces of this auction.

Some CDs from his private collection, soundtracks, as well as song tests or master zero he kept in his library will also be exhibited.

The Gold record "OLYMPIA 81" and many other awards.

The main scenarios, paperbacks, handwritten notes from Simone SIGNORET or Yves MONTAND as: "Les Héros sont fatigués", "Le Salaire de la peur", "Les Sorcières de Salem", "Vincent, François, Paul et les autres", "César et Rosalie"...

You will also find a big set of collector's movie tapes they kept for their personal use.

Their many trips around the world created many links with, their friends and fans. Letters, reviews, autographs and telegrams will be included in this auction, as the historical ones sent to Yves MONTAND or Simone SIGNORET by the president John Fitzgerald KENNEDY, le Maréchal TITO, and the Pastor Martin LUTHER KING.

The original handwritten text by Jacques PREVERT of the famous poem "Un rideau rouge se lève devant un rideau noir." Written for Yves MONTAND.

The unpublished letters and telegrams exchanged between Edith PIAF and Yves MONTAND, including the break-up letter from Edith PIAF.

Some jewelry owned by Simone SIGNORET such as a watch band decorated with diamonds and a necklace from CARTIER.

Many paintings, furniture and pieces of art that decorated the Autheuil house.

Simone SIGNORET and Yves MONTAND's photographic collection, proof of their appearance on stage or in shootings with other actors, friends and people living around them. Some of these pieces have been dedicated.

This auction reflects a big part of their life in Autheuil and is the memory of the relationship they had for about 40 years.

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SALE

Monday, June 26th 2017 à 2:00 pm

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