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Mastering Masterpiece

The world's finest art, antiques and design fair

The fourth annual [Masterpiece](#) art, antiques and design fair opened this morning. It truly represents the finest showcase of the best of the best and is a must for collectors and connoisseurs. The word 'masterpiece', just like the term 'luxury', is often overused but here you truly will find such objects.

Amongst the many highlights of the show are a series of 25 unbound sheets titled Love is a Pink Cake by Andy Warhol. Exhibited by the [Long Sharp Gallery](#) from Indianapolis, these lithographs date to circa 1955 and were purchased from the Andy Warhol Foundation by Wooster Projects of New York.



'Macaws head' and 'Blue Ara' by Jean-Marie Fiori. Exhibited by Galerie Dumonteil, both sold on the preview night.

An annual favourite is the stand of Franck Laverdin of [Galerie Dumonteil](#). Last night at the preview, the esteemed collector Barbara Minto joined a number of others in purchasing a fine set of candle holders that the gallery, which has showrooms in New York, Paris and Shanghai, was selling.

Another regular of note is [Howard Walwyn](#), a fine firm of antique clock dealers. They informed *The Steeple Times* of their forthcoming opening in Kensington Church Street and amongst other distinguished exhibitors are the [Crane Kalman Gallery](#), specialists in Lowry, and antiques arms and armour dealer Peter Finer.

On the [Koopman Rare Art](#) stand we were especially delighted to meet Oliver Newton. His enthusiasm for an 1806 gilt tea urn by Benjamin Smith and Digby Scott was captivating. This fine item is truly worth the £150,000 for which his firm, which is based in the London Silver Vaults, seeks.

A new arrival, complete with a stand designed by Jim Ruig of [Salvage](#), is Jennifer Guerrini-Maraldi and her aboriginal art dealership [JGM Art](#).

The Steeple Times will feature a number of items for sale at Masterpiece in the forthcoming days but, if you are in London, we wholeheartedly recommend that you don't miss this fine fair.

Masterpiece is open daily until Wednesday 3rd July. Tickets from £20.

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