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The Legendary Vladi Collection of Rare and Historical Maps Comes to Auction September 23

Guernsey's is honored to bring to auction the legendary Vladi Collection of Rare and Historic Maps on September 23rd. The New-York based auction house's online auction will include over 300 examples of fine and rare antique maps, with a percentage of the proceeds to benefit [MapAction](#), the organization that uses maps to aid those in disaster-stricken areas.

Bidders can view the online catalogue at guernseys.com and participate in the auction through LiveAuctioneers.com, Invaluable.com and Bidsquare.com. It should be noted that Mr. Vladi's Collection also includes highly sought-after antique atlases.

As an accomplished member of the International Map Collectors Society, Farhad Vladi traveled the world in his quest to amass a collection of the finest, rarest, and most beautiful maps. But it is Mr. Vladi's unique position as the world's preeminent broker of private islands that has afforded him the opportunity to discover many previously unknown treasured maps and atlases.

The Vladi Collection encompasses four hundred years of cartographic development with a focus on maps predating the 19th-century. There are maps in the auction covering virtually every area of the globe. Chronologically, the collection begins with Magna Germania, the first map printed from woodblock in 1486 by Ptolemäus. The collection features maps from the world's most noted cartographers including Gerard Mercator, Willem Jansz Blaeu, Abraham Ortelius, Johann Baptist Homann, Sebastian Münster, and Matthäus Seutter.

The maps and atlases can be viewed by appointment both in Hamburg, Germany and Halifax, Canada where the Collection is stored. Guernsey's is available to address all questions and arrange for telephone bidding; please contact auctions@guernseys.com or (212) 794-2280 in New York.

ABOUT GUERNSEY'S

In its forty-fourth year, Guernsey's has built a reputation as the auction house known for representing the most extraordinary properties. From the largest auction in history (the ocean liner S.S. United States) to vintage racing cars on to artwork from the Soviet Union, pre-Castro Cuban cigars and the \$3 million baseball, the firm has few rivals when it comes to the presentation of wildly diverse artwork and artifacts. The John F. Kennedy, Franklin Roosevelt, Princess Diana, Elvis Presley, Jerry Garcia, John Coltrane, Dick Clark, Mickey Mantle and the Beatles events were all conducted by Guernsey's. The auction house is particularly proud of its work with the Library of Congress in the preservation of the complete Rosa Parks Archive.