

Member Hits It Big

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My home number it back after almost a month. Now I have to fight with ATT about the bill.
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About the time I think that our members have forgotten about searching for treasure I get an email like this. It came from Rick an my hat goes out to him.

Nice talking to you Darryle! Well here is a brief description of my story, I am an artist and furniture restorer. I often go to local auctions to find furniture to fix up and canvas that I can paint over (much cheaper than buying new canvas) but I always made sure to check on the artists signature to make sure that I wasn't painting over a valuable piece!

Well the day of the auction I saw a big canvas that had just a little cut in the bottom corner and everything else looked in good shape (I figured I could patch it - no problem) and I started bidding. I put a limit of \$25 on it because I didn't want to spend to much.. Ha ha...

Well anyways with about 10 minutes until the auction closed I decided to Google the artist to see if he was "listed". Well he sure was. I was so excited when I seen some of the auction amounts for his paintings. I immediately raised my bid to \$300. Based on the lack of bidders and the fact that this piece is so huge I didn't think there would be much competition.. well I was right... I won with a final price of \$68....

I sold it one week later to a dealer in Detroit for \$17,000... I am hooked! I was so excited after this "Antiques Roadshow " Moment that I want to do it again and again. But I knew it was just luck, so I sought out direction and knowledge and . That is how I found you!

Nice story wouldn't you say? I hope to hear more stories like this from our members so that they will lift my spirit. Treasures are still out there we just need to continue our hunt.