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A POLISHED LOOK: A COLLECTION OF CHINESE HARDSTONES

ONLINE ONLY, 18-27 MARCH 2014



LEFT: A CHINESE ARCHAISTIC-STYLE LAPIS LAZULI RITUAL TRIPOD WINE VESSEL, JUE (ESTIMATE: \$5,000 - 7,000) RIGHT: A CHINESE MOTTLED GREEN AND WHITE JADEITE BAMBOO-FORM VASE AND COVER (ESTIMATE: \$4,000 - 6,000)

New York - Christie's is pleased to announce ***A Polished Look: A Collection of Chinese Hardstones*** online-only sale beginning March 18 through March 27. Running concurrently with Asian Art Week, the sale features 75 lots of Chinese hard stones ranging from traditional jade to daring interpretations of archaistic forms in lapis lazuli. In addition, the collection includes jade and jadeite necklaces, sleek jade bangles, and sophisticated jade hairpins. There are fanciful jadeite figure groups featuring mythical beasts juxtaposed with flora and fauna and charming jade animal models such as the auspicious elephant (pictured below; left.) With estimates starting at \$500, the collection offers an affordable elegance for all tastes and interiors. To peruse further highlights and register to bid, please click [here](#).

EXCEPTIONAL HIGHLIGHTS



A CHINESE GREYISH-WHITE JADE ELEPHANT AND BOY GROUP
ESTIMATE: \$7,000 - 9,000



A CHINESE CARNELIAN AGATE TRIPOD CENSER AND COVER
ESTIMATE: \$1,800 - 2,200



A CHINESE SILVER-INLAID MOTTLED SPINACH JADE BOWL
ESTIMATE: \$2,500 - 3,500



A PAIR OF CHINESE CARVED ROCK CRYSTAL BOWLS
ESTIMATE: \$1,000 - 1,500

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