

OLYMPIC GAMES MEMORABILIA 1896–2022

Mail Bid Auction No. 94

**Closing at 8 pm Pacific Time (Los Angeles)
Saturday, April 22, 2023**

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(Please read carefully before bidding.)

The auction will be conducted in accordance with the terms set forth below. Bidding in the sale constitutes acceptance of all terms stated herein.

(1) BIDDING. The auction will be online on our auction platform auctions.ioneil.com. It will close at 8 pm Pacific Standard Time on Saturday April 22, 2023. Bidding will continue after 8pm for lots with active bidding having been placed between 7:50pm and 7:59pm until 10 minutes pass without a new bid. The lots still open after 8pm move to the front of the auction. We also accept bids by email, phone, mail and fax (by fax: please follow up by phone or email to confirm that bids were received). All bids by email will be acknowledged. E-mail bids which have not been acknowledged have not been received. Phone bids must be confirmed in writing upon request. The estimates listed in the catalog are starting prices. Bids will be increased per the increment table on our auction website. If you enter a maximum bid (your highest), the bidding will be incremented as needed to win the lot, up to your maximum bid. Bids must be for an entire lot. Auctioneer reserves the right to extend bidding.

Bids under estimate will not be accepted. Bids must be for an entire lot. Bids will be accepted by lot number only. Each lot constitutes a separate sale.

All customers wanting to place bids in the auction must register first. New customers unknown to us and wanting to participate in the online auction must register at the website at least 1 day before the auction.

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(4) PRICE. Payment in full is due upon receipt of invoice. A 20% Buyer's Fee will be added to the successful bid price of each lot. Handling, shipping, sales tax for California residents, insurance, and all other costs associated with shipping will be added to the invoice. A handling charge per lot may be added to bulky lots (books, large plates, sculptures, etc.) California sales tax will be added to the invoice of California residents unless a valid resale number is on file with the auctioneer; however, buyer is solely responsible for and agrees to pay all sales or other applicable tax due by virtue of the sale and shall indemnify and hold auctioneer harmless therefore, including penalties or interest assessed, regardless of whether or not taxes were included on the invoice or correctly calculated by the auctioneer.

(5) PAYMENT. Payment must be in U.S. funds payable by check drawn on a U.S. bank or by wire transfer to auctioneer's account, by credit card (Visa, MasterCard, American Express) or Paypal. Wiring instructions should be requested from auctioneer before funds are wired. A 3.5% convenience charge (4% for overseas purchases) will be added to credit card or Paypal purchases except where prohibited by law. Bidders may be asked for satisfactory credit references or a deposit of funds prior to bidding.

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(7) SHIPMENT. It is buyer's responsibility to contact auctioneer to make shipping arrangements. Failure to timely make shipping arrangements or to accept delivery constitutes default. Lots will be delivered to buyer's address on file with auctioneer, unless otherwise requested, after payment in full and funds have cleared. Lots will be packaged, insured and shipped as auctioneer deems appropriate unless otherwise requested; however, auctioneer may charge additional handling, shipping and insurance fees or decline to package and/or ship any item. Buyer is responsible for packaging and/or shipping any purchased lot(s) at auctioneer's request within 30 days of the request. Risk of loss and title pass at delivery of lot to place of shipment, if shipped by auctioneer, and at time of payment in full at place of pick-up, if shipped by buyer. **Custom duties for an overseas buyer are buyer's sole responsibility.** Overseas buyers must supply fully detailed shipping instructions prior to shipment. Lots will be shipped overseas at buyer's risk only. Buyer waives all claims against auctioneer for loss or damage as a result of delayed shipment or failure to ship any item. Auctioneer's breach in the delivery of any item shall not give buyer the right to refuse or receive any other shipment.

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(10) RETURNS. Auctioneer shall not be liable for any item returned without auctioneer's prior written approval. Items must be returned in their original container and in the same condition as sold to buyer in the manner and at the time specified by auctioneer in writing. Late remittance, removal from the original container or return in a condition other than as sold to buyer constitutes just cause for revocation of all return rights, based on warranty or otherwise, and buyer shall have no further rights or remedies under this agreement, at law or in equity. Refunds will not be made until items have been received and inspected to auctioneer's satisfaction. Refunds are conditioned upon buyer's execution prior to payment of any documents requested by auctioneer to effect the intent of this paragraph.

(11) BIDDER'S RELEASE. THE TERM BIDDER AS USED IN THIS RELEASE REFERS TO BIDDERS AND BUYERS ALIKE. EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED HEREIN, BIDDING IN THE SALE CONSTITUTES AN UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE BY BIDDER OF AUCTIONEER AND AUCTIONEER'S AFFILIATES, SUBSIDIARIES, SUCCESSORS, MEMBERS, MANAGERS, EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS AND THEIR HEIRS, LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES AND ASSIGNS (COLLECTIVELY, "AUCTIONEER'S AFFILIATES"), FROM ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS, SUITS, ACTIONS, OBLIGATIONS, LIABILITIES, LOSSES AND DAMAGES OF ANY KIND OR NATURE WHATSOEVER, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, INDIRECT OR SIMILAR DAMAGES (COLLECTIVELY "CLAIMS"), ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, THE AUCTION, THESE TERMS OF SALE OR MODIFICATION THEREOF, THE BIDDING PROCESS, DENIAL OF BID, TITLE, CONDITION, QUALITY OR DESCRIPTION OF ANY LOT OR AUCTIONEER OR AUCTIONEER'S AFFILIATES' NEGLIGENCE, GROSS NEGLIGENCE, MISTAKE, MISREPRESENTATION, BREACH OF CONTRACT, BREACH OF WARRANTY OR ANY OTHER ACT OR OMISSION WHETHER SOUNDING IN CONTRACT, TORT, IN EQUITY OR OTHERWISE. BIDDER AGREES AND INTENDS THIS RELEASE TO BE EXTENDED TO AND BE EFFECTIVE AS TO ALL CLAIMS WITHOUT RESERVATION, WHETHER ARISING NOW OR IN THE FUTURE AND REGARDLESS OF WHETHER BIDDER LATER OBTAINS KNOWLEDGE WHICH WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED BIDDER'S DECISION TO GIVE THIS RELEASE, AND BIDDER KNOWINGLY AND VOLUNTARILY WAIVES ALL RIGHTS AND REMEDIES WHICH MAY OTHERWISE BE CONFERRED ON BIDDER BY LAW.

(12) CLAIMS. Claims for reasons other than lack of authenticity may, in some instances, be considered by auctioneer, at auctioneer's sole discretion. Any such claim must be submitted to auctioneer in writing within 5 days after delivery of the item, which is the basis of the claim to buyer, but in no event more than 60 days past the close of the auction. Auctioneer may, at auctioneer's option, offer a remedy to buyer but in no event shall buyer have any entitlement or right to any remedy from auctioneer unless stated in a writing signed by auctioneer and buyer.

(13) GOVERNING LAW; MISCELLANEOUS. Actions to enforce or interpret or relating to these Terms of Sale shall be construed in accordance with California law, without regard to conflicts of law rules. Exclusive venue shall lie in Newport Beach, California. These Terms of Sale and all rights hereunder may not be assigned, transferred, or relied upon by third parties. The term "buyer" means the original buyer of goods from auctioneer, not any subsequent owner or person who may acquire an interest therein. If any term of this agreement or application thereof shall be deemed unenforceable, the remainder of this agreement and the application of such term to persons or circumstances other than those to which the term is unenforceable shall remain enforceable to the fullest extent. Time is of the essence in all particulars. Notice is given upon delivery by facsimile, e-mail or telephone or 3 days after placement in the U.S. mail. As used herein, the term "person" includes an individual, sole proprietorship, partnership, joint venture, trust, corporation, limited liability company, association and any other entity. Captions shall not be used to construe the scope or intent of any term. The waiver of breach of any term shall not constitute a waiver of any subsequent breach of the same or any other term. This agreement shall be binding upon and operate to the benefit of the parties and their respective heirs, successors, legal and personal representatives and permitted assigns. **THE TERMS SET FORTH ABOVE CONSTITUTE THE FINAL AND COMPLETE AGREEMENT OF THE PARTIES AND SUPERCEDE ANY AND ALL PRIOR OR CONTEMPORANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS, UNDERSTANDINGS AND REPRESENTATIONS, ORAL OR WRITTEN, AS TO THE SUBJECT MATTER THEREOF.**

Highlights of the Auction



Winged Victory by Artist Georgios VROUTOS Awarded to Double Olympic Winner Ellery Clark in the 1896 Athens Olympic Games.



1. **Bust of Nike, the Goddess of Victory, on Pedestal Surrounded with Olive Branches and Awarded to Ellery H. Clark.** 24cm (9.5") high, made by Georgios VROUTOS and signed on the right bottom side with his initials "T.B.". Bust of Nike, head turned half right, her wings on either side, with long flowing hair, on small pillar decorated with olive branches. In the back is an indented plaque inscribed in Greek "To the winner/engraved line "E.H. Clark"/Athens 1896/G. VROUTOS". Harvard graduate Ellery Clark has been the only Olympic athlete ever to win both high jump and long jump. Before the discovery of this sculpture, only one was known, dedicated to VROUTOS' colleague Maria Papaioann on August 15, 1896. It is displayed at the National Museum in Athens.

According to Athens newspapers "To Asty", "Akropolis" and "Efimeris" on April 3 and 6, 1896, Mr. VROUTOS sent 21 statues to the Organizing Committee to be distributed to the foreign first place medal winners, each with name, at a Farewell Reception at the Hotel Grande Bretagne on April 3. The joy of the recipients was indescribable.

This is the only known Victory Statue awarded to a first place 1896 athlete. Lightly discolored from dust, small chips, light wear on nose, VF. Of utmost rarity. **(\$95,000)**

Letter Written by Kate Clark, Great-Granddaughter of Ellery Clark

Ellery Harding Clark Sr., my great grandfather, was a Harvard track athlete who joined the 1896 Olympic team. He won two first places at the first modern Olympics in Athens, Greece, and remains to this day the only male athlete to win both the high jump and broad jump in the same Olympics. For his victories he was awarded a winner's statue by Georgios VROUTOS, which was granted to a non-Greek athlete who won events. You will notice his name is engraved on the back of the statue.

Upon his death, this sculpture was passed down to his son, my grandfather, Captain Ellery Harding Clark, Jr. Since my grandfather's death in 1997, the sculpture has been in my father's possession. We had it proudly displayed in our living room for decades, as it reminded my father of his beloved grandfather and his many groundbreaking accomplishments. We are delighted to share this historic sculpture with someone who will treasure it the way our family has for the past 127 years.