

***Pentateuch***

Country: Italy

Value: \* (Auction)

Genre: Religion

Year Published: 1475

Author: Rashi

Why Important: The Pentateuch are the first five books of the Bible, sacred to both Jews and Christians. Moses is credited with writing Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy.

***Arba' Turim***

Country: Italy

Value: \* (Auction)

Genre: Religion

Year Published: 1475

Author: Rabbi Jacob ben Asher

Why Important: The first book of Jewish religious law, originally composed in manuscript in the late 13th or early 14th century.

**Job**

Country: Italy

Value: \* (Auction)

Genre: Religion

Year Published: 1477

Author: Levi ben Gershon

Why Important: Levin ben Gershon lived in the late 13th and early 14th century as a scientist, philosopher, and doctor in France. He is famous as a commentator; this book is a commentary on Job.

**Nofet Zufim**

Country: Italy

Value: \* (Auction)

Also Known As: *The Honeycomb's Flow*

Genre: Language

Year Published: 1475-1480

Author: Judah ben Jehiel Refe (Judah Messer Leon)

Why Important: Jewish Italian scholar's book on Renaissance rhetoric; also the first Hebrew book of a living author to be printed.

***Il Commodo comedia di***

***Antonio Landi***

Country: Italy

Value: \* (Auction)

Also Known As: *The Server?:*

*Comedy of Antonio Landi*

Genre: History

Year Published: 1539

Author: Pier Francesco

Giambullari

Why Important: Account of the wedding in Florence of Cosimo I de' Medici and Eleanora of Toledo.

***Breve descrizione delle pomp funereale fatta nelle essquie del serenissimo D. Francesco Medici II***

Country: Italy

Value: \* (Auction)

Also Known As: *Brief*

*Description of the funeral of D.*

*Francesco Medici II*

Genre: History

Year Published: 1587

Author: Giovanni Vittorio

Soderini

Why Important: Account of the Funeral in Florence of Francesco I de' Medici.

***Gli heroici, di Gio. Battista  
Pigna, a donno Alfonso da Este  
II, duca di Ferrara V***

Country: Italy

Value: \* (Auction)

Also Known As: *The Heroics, by  
Giovan Battista Pigna, of Don  
Alfonso of Este II, fifth duke of  
Ferrara*

Genre: History

Year Published: 1561

Author: Giovan Battista Pigna

Why Important: Regarding Don  
Alfonso II, an Este duke, who  
presided over the height of  
Italian festivals.

***La entrata che fece in Vinegia  
l'illustrissimo ... duca Alfonso II  
Estense, duca V. di Ferrara***

Country: Italy

Value: \* (Auction)

Also Known As: *Entry into  
Venice of Alfonso II d'Este, Duke  
of Ferrara*

Genre: History

Year Published: 1562

Author: Natale Conti

Why Important: Describes the  
entry into Venice of Alfonso II,  
Duke of Ferrara.

***De Magnete***

Country: England

Value: \* (Auction)

Also Known As: *On the Magnet*

Genre: Science

Year Published: 1600

Author: William Gilbert

Why Important: A book that first coined the word "Electricity" and a pioneering work in experimental science.

***Sidereus Nuncius***

Country: Germany

Value: \* (Auction)

Also Known As: *The Starry Messenger*

Genre: Science

Year Published: 1610

Author: Galileo Galilei

Why Important: An astronomical pamphlet that documents the results of looking through the first telescope and includes observations on topics including the surface of the moon.

***Harmonices Mundi***

Country: Germany

Value: \* (Auction)

Also Known As: *Harmony of the World*

Genre: Science

Year Published: 1619

Author: Johannes Kepler

Why Important: Here, Kepler invents the third law of planetary motion; he also spends the majority of this work discussing how planetary orbits mimic certain notes to create celestial harmony, a concept common in medieval science.

***Novum Organum***

Country: England

Value: \* (Auction)

Also Known As: *The New Instrument*

Genre: Science

Year Published: 1620

Author: Francis Bacon

Why Important: The title refers to Aristotle; the book outlines Baconian logic, which is based on reduction and inductive reasoning.

***Bouquet qui à été présenté à  
Marie-Antionette***

Country: France

Value: \* (Auction)

Also Known As: *Bouquet that  
was presented to Marie-  
Antionette*

Genre: Politics

Year Published: 1792

Author: L. Boussemart

Why Important: Regarding  
Marie Antionette, the final  
Queen of France.

***Credo du Tiers-état; ou  
Symbole politico-moral a  
l'usage de tous les amis de  
l'état & de l'humanité***

Country: France

Value: \* (Auction)

Also Known As: *Credo of the  
Third Estate: The Political-Moral  
Symbol and Usage of the  
Friends of the State and of  
Humanity*

Genre: Politics

Year Published: 1789

Author: Anonymous

Why Important: About the  
Third Estate, the proletariat of  
the French Revolution.

***Epître d'un catholique, publiée  
par un républicain***

Country: France

Value: \* (Auction)

Also Known As: *Letters to a  
Catholic, Published by a  
Republican*

Genre: Politics

Year Published: 1797

Author: Anonymous

Why Important: A Religious  
take on issues surrounding the  
French Revolution.

***L'attentat de Versailles: ou La  
clémence de Louis XVI;  
tragédie***

Country: France

Value: \* (Auction)

Also Known As: *The Bombing of  
Versailles: Clemency of Louis  
XVI*

Genre: Politics

Year Published: 1790

Author: Anonymous

Why Important: About the  
demise of Louis XVI, King of  
France.



***Pride and Prejudice***

Country: England

Value: \* (Auction)

Genre: Literature

Year Published: 1813

Author: Jane Austin

Why Important: Perhaps Jane Austin's most famous novel.

***Waverly***

Country: Scotland

Value: \* (Auction)

Genre: Literature

Year Published: 1814

Author: Walter Scott

Why Important: Walter Scott pioneered the genre of historical romance.

***Frankenstein***

Country: England

Value: \* (Auction)

Genre: Literature

Year Published: 1818

Author: Mary Shelley

Why Important: A classic of Victorian horror that explores medical ethics.

***Great Expectations***

Country: England

Value: \* (Auction)

Genre: Literature

Year Published: 1861

Author: Charles Dickens

Why Important: Dickens' penultimate novel and perhaps his most famous book.

***The surprise party, or, On not going, not ongoing***

Country: Americas

Value: \* (Auction)

Genre: Artists' Book

Year Published: 1977

Author: Johanna Drucker

Why Important: Johanna Drucker is one of the most prominent theorists of artists' books as well as a practitioner of the genre.

***Cat's Cradle***

Country: Americas

Value: \* (Auction)

Genre: Artists' Book

Year Published: 2013

Author: Julie Chen

Why Important: One of the most important artists in the genre.

***Chained Book on a Book***

Country: Americas

Value: \* (Auction)

Genre: Artists' Book

Year Published: 1999

Author: Daniel Essig

Why Important: A sculptor and woodworker as well as a book artist, Essig's book contains no words. This book also represents a theme he often explores: attaching a smaller version of one book to another book.

***Desdemona In Her Own Words***

Country: Americas

Value: \* (Auction)

Genre: Artists' Book

Year Published: 2015

Author: Emily Martin

Why Important: Limited edition of 10, boxed book reinterpreting Shakespeare's Desdemona.