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VIOLIN AUCTION AT TARISIO HAS WORLD RECORDS, RARE STRADIVARIUS VIOLIN

April 27, 2012, New York An 18th Century Italian violin by Antonio Stradivari was auctioned online at tarisio.com for \$2,592,000. Tarisio continues to lead the field with strong sales of Stradivari violins.

Known as the 'Baron von der Leyen,' after an important 19th Century German silk merchant believed to have owned it, the violin was in the possession of a professional New York City musician for the last 43 years. For more information, visit tarisio.com/baronvonderleyen

"We congratulate the bidder on his excellent purchase," says Jason Price, Director of Tarisio. "On behalf of both Tarisio and seller, we were pleased to present the violin and see it passed to a deserving owner."

Competitive bidding in the auction helped set 39 new world records from makers new and old, including:

Lot 318	Lorenzo Storioni	violin, 1792	\$413,600
Lot 314	Enrico Rocca	violin, 1898	\$123,000
Lot 313	Carlo Giuseppe Oddone	violin, 1906	\$102,000
Lot 312	Simone Sacconi	violin, 1928	\$96,000
Lot 175	Charles Peccatte	violin bow	\$36,000
Lot 60	Pierre Simon	cello bow	\$54,000
Lot 37	Giulio Degani	viola, 1890	\$72,000

Overall sale results include: 426 bidders, 3,000 bids, 319 lots, 83.2% sold, and a sale total of \$5,821,100.

Tarisio has set two world records for Stradivari violins at auction in recent years: the 'Molitor' of 1697 for \$3.6 million, and the 'Lady Blunt' of 1721 for an astonishing \$15.9 million.

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