

STOLEN ART



ART FRAUD SUSPECT ARRESTED

Art dealer Patricia Maureen Bayes, 45 years old, was arrested for a string of grand thefts resulting from consignment and investment frauds that she perpetrated throughout southern California. Nineteen victims were located with losses in excess of \$100,000. In order to avoid apprehension, she fled her residence so quickly she abandoned her clothing, furniture, cosmetics and the food in her refrigerator. The Art Theft Detail tracked her to a youth hostel in San Pedro where she had assumed a new identity and was earning spending money by giving sightseeing trips to tourists.

Detectives learned that Bayes had entered the U.S. illegally from Canada more than ten years ago. She fled Toronto in a stolen car after an art gallery she worked at called Galerie Equus on Bloor Street failed under suspicious circumstances.

After arriving in Los Angeles she assumed a new identity under the name of Janet Jamieson and reentered the art business as an independent dealer. She bought and sold art on consignment but ran into money problems due to her gambling habit at various race tracks. She befriended elderly men and "borrowed" large sums of money based on fictitious medical and personal emergencies.



**Patricia Maureen Bayes
(AKA: Janet Jamieson)**

She took control of the finances of one elderly amputee living on social security at a rest home. She depleted his bank account and wrote bad checks by forging his name.

In court, she pled guilty to all charges and was sentenced to state prison.

Requesting any information on . . .

1. **Auguste Rodin** - bronze medallion - 1882 - about 9" in diameter - image is the face of Jean-Paul Laurens - heavy screw on back for wall mounting. (97-1126380 • 10-2/97)
2. **Russian cigarette case** - silver with green and purple enamel - about 5" x 3" x 1/2" - turn of the century. (97-1126380 • 10-2/97)
3. **Russian cigarette case** - gold - about 4" x 3" x 1/2" - turn of the century. (97-1126380 • 10-2/97)
4. **Russian woman's handbag** - silver with chain - pattern simulates leather - about 9" x 2" x 1" - turn of the century. (97-1126380 • 10-2/97)
5. **Dutch tobacco case** - silver - about 5" x 3" x 1 1/2". (97-1126380 • 10-2/97)
6. **Francisco Torregrosa** - mixed media with sand - 1990 - "*Cosmos #9S*" - 32" x 26" - signed lower right. (97-0627682 • 8-18/97).
7. **Francisco Torregrosa** - mixed media with sand - 1990 - "*Cosmos #11S*" - 32" x 26" - signed lower right. (97-0627682 • 8-18/97).

ADDITIONAL STOLEN ART

TU, Zhiwei
Learning From Each Other in the 9th Century
oil on canvas
56" x 30"
signed lower left



97-0820888

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97-0524660

10-4/97

SKELTON, Red
Big Red
lithograph on canvas
#175/2500
18" x 14"
signed lower left

TORREGROSA, Francisco
1991
Union Floral de Primavera
mixed media
signed "F. Torregrosa" lower right
39 7/16" x 39 7/16"



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TORREGROSA, Francisco
1992
La Intensidad del Despliegue
mixed media
signed "F. Torregrosa" lower right
39 7/16" x 39 7/16"

TORREGROSA, Francisco
1990
Movimiento Estatico
mixed media
signed "F. Torregrosa" lower right
39 7/16" x 39 7/16"



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TORREGROSA, Francisco
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Vivacidad
mixed media
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39 7/16" x 39 7/16"

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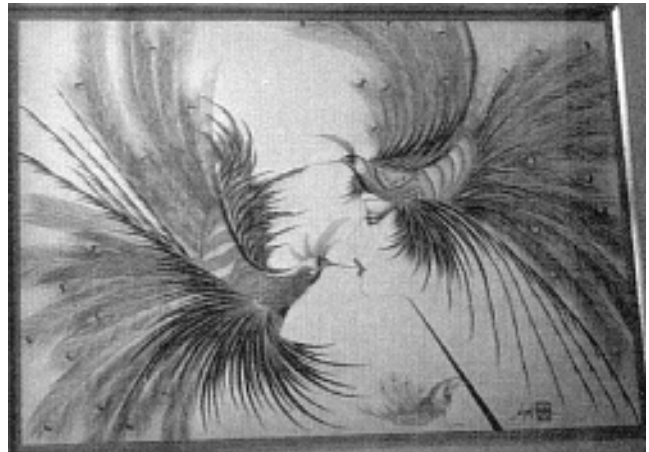


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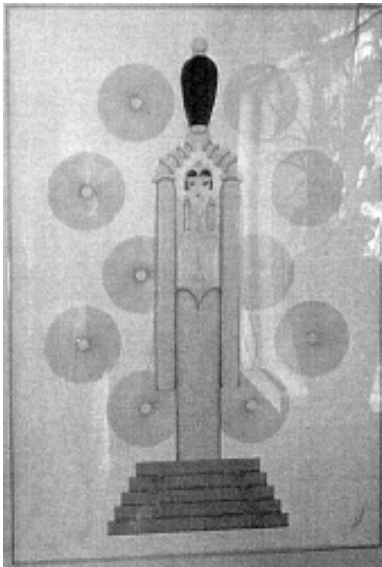
ERTE
1988
Golden Fleece
serigraph
#115/300
35 1/2" x 29 1/2"

OTSUKA, Hisashi
1988
Double Kiss
mixed media
#240/300
35 1/2" x 23"



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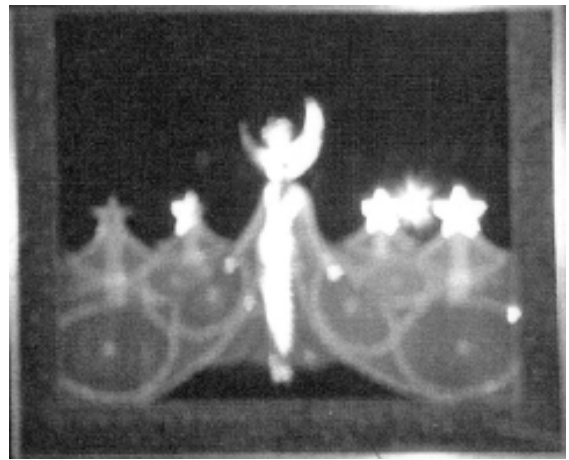
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ERTE
1988
Emerald Vase
serigraph
#154/275
41 1/2" x 29"



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ERTE
1987
Queen of the Night
serigraph
#LVII/CL
approx. 41" x 29"