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Viola d'amore

Restitution status: Return to the heirs has occurred

Categories: Musical instruments

Object Data

Artist

unknown

Museum

Kunsthistorisches Museum

Inventory Number

Dorotheum, Kat. Nr. 280

Description

Cover made of spruce, bottom in one part, made of tightly flamed maple, notches flamed maple, head shaped like a carved putto, rim of cover inlaid with five, flame-shaped soundholes, red-brown, finished with lacquer, thirteen tuning pegs

Material

Wood

Height

74.5 cm

Width

23.1 cm

Provenance Data

Former owner according to museum / collection

Collection Felix and Josefine Löw-Beer

Provenance

Assignment/presentation from the public sector 1938-45

Provenance according to museum / collection

Entered the Collection of Old Musical Instruments for conservation on June 30 1939 from the 'Zentraldepot für beschlagnahmten jüdischen Kulturbesitz' (Central Depot for Jewish Cultural Property)

Committee

Art Restitution Advisory Board

Pendency

The art restitution case is closed.

Recommendation

The committee in charge has recommended if possible to restore the art or cultural object, if owners or their legal successors can be established.

Committee in charge

Federal Ministry for Arts, Culture, Civil Service and Sport

Decision

The body in charge has decided to restore the art or cultural object to the owners or their legal successors.

Implementation

The art or cultural object was restituted to the owners or their legal successors.

Annotations

In its meeting of March 20, 2009 the Advisory Board unanimously reached the following decision: The Advisory Board recommends to the Federal Minister for Education, the Arts and Culture that the musical instruments of the Collection of Old Musical Instruments from the Kunsthistorische Museum (Museum of Art History) be handed over to the legal successors of Felix and Josefine Löw-Beer. The aforementioned musical instruments are listed in the file and designated with 'Collection Felix and Josefine Löw-Beer'. The musical instrument was handed over to the heirs on June 28, 2010.