



CONNECTICUT CERAMICS STUDY CIRCLE

2018 Seminar



The Most Beautiful, Useful, and Uncommon: Sir Hans Sloane's Botanical Treasures on Chelsea Porcelain

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Monday, April 9, 2018 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
at The Bruce Museum, 1 Museum Drive, Greenwich, Connecticut

1. **“Triumph and Disaster: Nicholas Sprimont’s Chelsea Porcelain Manufactory (1745-69)”**
Probably the first porcelain manufactory in England, the Chelsea Factory in London was the creation of Nicholas Sprimont. His factory’s ceramics, with contributions from his innovative painter and sculptor, were the choice of high society in both London and the great country houses of England.
2. **“A New World Flowering on Chelsea Porcelain: Transatlantic Botanical Exchanges and the Chelsea ‘Hans Sloane’ Wares”** The Chelsea porcelain botanical wares, associated with the name of Sir Hans Sloane, are among the most popular of the factory’s products today and were a huge success during the mid-1750s when they were produced. Drawings by Georg Ehret of the plants, later engraved and then copied by the Chelsea factory artists, are explored.
3. **“Visions of Arcadia and America: The English Aristocracy, the Landscape Garden and Chelsea Botanical Porcelain”** The Enlightenment passion for nature resulted in a new fashion in landscaping, an idealized vision of nature. There was also a new fascination with recently discovered American trees and shrubs. This phenomenon was translated into wares painted with images of the imported plant life, particularly those used at “polite” desserts.

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A Box Lunch is provided.

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