



DARING VISIONS

PRINTS OF THE UTAGAWA SCHOOL



JOAN B MIRVISS LTD IS PLEASED TO PRESENT
DARING VISIONS – PRINTS OF THE UTAGAWA SCHOOL,
AN EXHIBITION OF FINE NINETEENTH-CENTURY
JAPANESE WOODBLOCK PRINTS AND PAINTINGS. THE
PROLIFIC UTAGAWA SCHOOL WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR
OVER HALF OF ALL EXTANT *UKIYO-E*, OR 'PICTURES
OF THE FLOATING WORLD,' AND THEY LEFT BEHIND
SOME OF THE MOST WIDELY RECOGNIZABLE IMAGES
IN THE FIELD, INCLUDING PORTRAITS OF BEAUTIFUL
WOMEN BY UTAGAWA TOYOKUNI I, LANDSCAPES BY
UTAGAWA HIROSHIGE, WARRIOR PRINTS BY UTAGAWA
KUNIYOSHI, AND KABUKI ACTOR PORTRAITS BY
UTAGAWA KUNISADA. THEIR COMPOSITIONS SET THE
STANDARDS IN THE GENRE BY INCORPORATING
INNOVATIVE TREATMENTS OF THEIR SUBJECT
MATTER AND BY UTILIZING DELUXE PRINTING
TECHNIQUES THAT SHOWCASED THE AMAZING SKILL
WITH WHICH THE JAPANESE APPROACHED THE
MEDIUM. MANY OF JAPAN'S MOST CELEBRATED
ARTISTS WORKED UNDER THE UTAGAWA NAME, AND
DARING VISIONS WILL PRESENT A WIDE RANGE OF
PRINTS AND PAINTINGS THAT DEMONSTRATE THE
VARIETY AND DYNAMISM THAT ESTABLISHED THE
UTAGAWA SCHOOL AS A DOMINANT CREATIVE FORCE
IN THE NINETEENTH CENTURY.

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