

what's new



art in the know

Barbara Petersen Parker knows art inside out and 'round about. Founder and president of **Petersen Fine Arts**, she has, since 1991, helped collectors — novice, experienced, private, institutional or corporate — start and develop collections, concentrating on both beauty and investment. Now she has relocated to Greenwich, where she grew up, discovered art and now makes her home.

Petersen Parker's twenty-five-year educational, curatorial and sales background in Manhattan's art world includes senior positions at such leading galleries, museums and auction houses as Christie's, the Whitney, Gagosian, David Stux and Chermayeff Geismar. She has used her "developed eye" for such clients as

Steve Martin, the Hirshhorn Museum, Charles Saatchi and Mobil, often traveling to national and international art fairs for the finest of the old and most promising of the new. She has advised financial institutions in market and investment analysis of art and lectured extensively in both New York and Greenwich.

Petersen Parker is experienced in all periods and mediums, with particular expertise in modern masters and contemporary art, concentrating on paintings, drawings, sculpture, prints and photography from the 1920s to the present.

Barbara Petersen Parker is available by appointment. Usually, she comes to you. 637-0272
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take off in style

Colby Kane and Matt King should know a thing or two about men's clothes. Both of them were models at one point in their fashion careers and met while modeling for Polo Ralph Lauren. Now they have launched their own line of luxury T-shirts called **Aviator Kane and King**. Made in the United States of the softest cotton that feels like silk, the tees are generously cut in sizes small to extra-large and come in seven colors: midnight, stainless, sky blue, cloud, jet black, military and sun orange. Available in crew and V-neck styles with short or long sleeves, the tees are priced from \$60 and are sold at Richards, 359 Greenwich Avenue, 622-0551
—R.T.A.