

## Media Release

# RM AUCTIONS APPOINTS NEW EUROPEAN DIRECTOR

RM Auctions Announces the Appointment of Max Girardo as Representative of its New UK and European Auction Division.

BLLENHEIM, Ontario, Canada (July 00, 2006) – North America's leading auction house RM Auctions is pleased to welcome Max Girardo to their team as its representative in the U.K. and Europe. Girardo's outstanding experience and knowledge will see to the continued success of RM's expansion into Europe beginning in 2007.

Mr. Girardo developed a love for cars at a young age as he closely followed his father's victories in the Italian Rally Championship throughout the 1960's and 1970's. Girardo was born in Australia to Italian parents, and as a child, he fondly remembers, "looking at old photos of my father racing and itching to get behind a wheel of a rally car, or actually of any car. It was my father who gave me the car bug!" Girardo was schooled in both Asia and Switzerland and has traveled extensively throughout his life. He is fluent in 4 languages including, English, French, Italian, and Spanish.

Girardo's automotive career has been one of rewarding success starting his auction career with Brooks Auctioneers (now Bonhams) in 1998 was the first step to a quick advancement within the company. Girardo continued as a vintage car specialist in Geneva and rapidly moved up the ranks to becoming the Director of Bonhams Europe S.A. in 2002. Mr. Girardo was also the driving force behind the first ever Ferrari sale in Gstaad and the well received Les Grandes Marques a Monaco.

In 2002, Girardo left Geneva and the auction world to set up and run Cars UK's European office in Monte Carlo. In only four years, Girardo's impeccable skills lead Cars UK to expand its office throughout the continent and help the business become a market leader in specialized automobile transportation logistics.

RM Auctions is expected to make further announcements regarding its inaugural vintage motor car auction in the UK in 2007 and other European sale events.

Celebrating more than 27 years in the collector car industry, RM Auctions Inc. and its sister companies are responsible for acquiring, restoring and selling of the world's rarest and most expensive vintage automobiles including Best of Show winning cars at the prestigious Meadow Brook and Pebble Beach Concours. For additional information on RM Auctions Inc., please contact Terry Lobzun at: (800) 211-4371 or visit the corporate web site at [www.rmauctions.com](http://www.rmauctions.com).