Press Release

Sir Hans Sloane’s Plants on Chelsea Porcelain.

A Loan Exhibition

2\textsuperscript{nd} – 16\textsuperscript{th} June 2015

The exhibition’s aims are to identify the plants on Chelsea porcelain botanical wares and to link them to their source drawings and prints, many of which were by G. D. Ehret and were published by Philip Miller in Figures of the most Beautiful, Useful, and Uncommon plants described in the Gardeners Dictionary and other botanical publications of the period. The catalogue includes chapters on Sir Hans Sloane, The Chelsea Physic Garden and Philip Miller’s role in receiving and propagating the imported plants and seeds from the New World, Africa and the Orient and his influence on garden planting and design in Britain.

The exhibition comprises of the loan of over 70 exhibits of Chelsea porcelain from private and museum collections which will be shown with their relevant source engravings. Previously only about 10 plants on Chelsea porcelain had been correctly identified and linked to botanical engravings so the exhibition will include significant new material and research.

The catalogue is written by Sally Kevill-Davies and is generously sponsored by the Cadogan Estate.

The exhibition to be held at Stockspring Antiques, 114 Kensington Church St., London W8 4BH
Weekdays: 10 -5.30pm, Saturdays: 10 - 4pm. Sundays: Closed.