

## Edward Fields Rug



### Gorgeous Edward Fields Artist Signed Rug-Burt Groedel Parrot on Deco Lady Faced Snail-Hand Woven-Must See!

#### Description:

Absolutely magnificent! This stunning hand woven and artist signed Edward Fields rug is in exceptional condition. It has been rolled and carefully stored and never displayed. It is somewhat vintage, I'd say 1970s-80s and is a wonderful mix of abstract and Deco modern art. It measures 48" by 59". The creamy ivory background is clean and perfect and the vibrant colored Parrot is really beautiful. Multi pile wool carpet in natural tones with the parrot and his tail being the most colorful part of this rug. The snail is fabulous with it's plush, multi leveled carpet shell and lady's face. It is signed by the American artist Burt Groedel, a master artist who was born in 1937. He along with designers Raymond Lowey, Marion Dorn, Van Day Treux, William Raiser, Annie Bohlin, Darin Pierce and Inman Cook had their designs transformed into Edward Fields carpets and have become standards in their collection. Bid with confidence...this piece is truly a work of art for the choosy collector of vintage designer rugs. THANKS FOR LOOKING and BIDDING!!

Winning Bid:

**\$999.90**

Ended: 5/1/07

History: 1 bid

Starting Bid: \$999.90

Winner: Texas

Viewed

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### Patty's Story (eBay ID: mycucina2)

I was at a nice yard sale here on Long Island, NY one Saturday afternoon. It was late in the day and I was on my way home, trunk full, when I decided to go to just one more sale! As I entered this house a very lovely woman was bringing in more merchandise. I held the door for her and she told me "We're priced to sell, make a pile."

I love a sale where there is so much great stuff that I can "make a pile!" This sale had mostly furniture and lamps and some miscellaneous knick-knacks left. Rolled up on the sofa I spotted an area rug. I unrolled it and gave it a look. Rugs in general are not my area of expertise, but even I could see this was a very fine piece. It was in perfect, unused condition, very clean and it was ivory. She had a price sticker of \$100 on it. I asked the lady running the sale what she could tell me about it. "Not much, I've had it rolled up in my bedroom closet for years." She told me she had won it years ago at a charity event. It was the grand prize and it was gorgeous! A giant snail was the main design of this rug. The snail had a woman's face and a colorful parrot sitting on its shell. The parrot was in color and the rest was ivory. Just beautiful. There was a signature in script on the lower left and an "EF" on the right.

I thought it was too beautiful to walk on and should be used as wall hanging. I asked her if she would take \$50. We agreed on \$75, more than I would usually spend on an item that I knew nothing about, but it was that impressive. I was so excited to research this piece and unfold the mystery!

I started my research later that

night and discovered the artist's name written in the corner was Burt Groedel, a mid-century designer and artist with a stellar reputation. Upon further research I was able to place the "EF" to a very upscale designer decorator store in New York City called Edward Fields. There were not many Edward Fields rugs available on e-Bay but the ones that were listed and sold were in the thousands! They were larger than my 4' by 5' rug but I thought I'd go right to the top and list it at \$999.90 with no reserve.

It was such an exciting 7 days! I had a lot of watchers and a few questions about this wonderful piece, but I was starting to worry because so far there were no bids. With only five minutes left, I sat down at my computer with my 16-year-old daughter to watch the end of the auction. Refresh, refresh, refresh...finally the last six seconds a bid came in! That was it; it sold for the \$999.90 opening bid! I was thrilled to have made such an excellent return on my \$75!

The woman who bought it sent me an email the next day. She told me how happy she was to own this rug and that thirty years ago when she was a design student in New York City, she would walk past the Edward Fields store (which was only open to decorators), and stare longingly at this rug in the window. It is part of a series of rugs; this one is called "Snail Lady." She already had "Moon Lady" and could not wait to have both displayed in her Texas home! I was so happy that this lovely woman won it. She really deserved to have it because she appreciated this artist's work so much. I just love how e-Bay brings people and treasures together!