



**African & Oceanic Art, Antiquities and  
Natural History (598)**

Tue, 5th May 2020, Live Online

**Lot 89**

**Estimate:** £8000 - £12000 + Fees

**RED FIGURE BELL KRATER ATTRIBUTED TO PYTHON  
PAESTUM, C. 340-330 B.C.**

Painted terracotta, the obverse with a youthful Dionysos holding a *thyrsos*, replete with long hair falling to his shoulders, wearing a wreath and a mantle wrapped around his lower body and resting on his arm, he holds forth a *phiale* towards Silenos who is depicted nude with full beard and similarly carrying a *thyrsos*; the reverse with two draped youths with dotted hems, one seemingly presenting a sprig to the other; a horizontal wave pattern forming the ground below, above the scenes a wreath of laurel beneath the rim, palmettes and floral motifs below and framing the handles

Dimensions: 36.5cm tall