

PRESS RELEASE

VICHY⁹ ENCHÈRES

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The 001 piece of the SELMER Supreme alto saxophone "Modèle 2022" will be auctioned on 6 May to the benefit of several charities.

Designed as a limited edition to celebrate the centenary of the very first SELMER saxophone - the Model 22 - the Supreme alto "Modèle 2022" has been produced in 641 numbered pieces. Its seductive power is such that all instruments were immediately sold out and shipped worldwide... with the exception of one, Number 001!

A UNIQUE AND ICONIC INSTRUMENT

The 001 will be auctioned on 6 May 2023 at 1.45 pm (Paris local time) as part of an exceptional sale organised by Vichy Enchères (16, Avenue de Lyon in Vichy, France), the leading reference in prestige musical instruments.

The profits will be donated to several charities working on developing musical practice on several continents with a focus on inclusion and diversity: Banda Musica, Ghetto Classics and Tomorrow's Warriors.

AN ONLINE SALE ACCESSIBLE TO BUYERS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD

The auction will be conducted online and will be accessible to musicians from all over the world, both professionals and amateurs, as well as to collectors and art lovers via the interencheres.com website.

A number of other SELMER exceptional instruments will also be on sale on 5 and 6 May. All of them come from the ReWIND.fr programme offering a new life to second-hand SELMER instruments and have been carefully selected and serviced by the best craftspeople.







SUPREME "MODÈLE 2022", CULMINATION OF A LONG-STANDING SAVOIR-FAIRE AND TRIBUTE TO HISTORY





The Supreme "Modèle 2022" alto celebrates the anniversary of the first saxophone to be manufactured by the Henri SELMER Paris workshops in 1922. Produced in a limited series of 641 pieces -in reference to the number of parts needed to assemble it- this new version of the Supreme alto benefits from the same acoustic, mechanical and ergonomic qualities, but is distinguished by a specific, innovative and creative design. It embodies and celebrates the creative and festive spirit of Paris in the 1920s. Its design draws its graphic inspiration from the Art Déco era, which saw the birth of the first SELMER saxophone.

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"As the universal reference for saxophones and clarinets, Henri SELMER Paris has been accompanying music lovers from around the world for over a hundred years, providing mythical models that have shaped the sound of generations of musicians. Founded in 1885 in Paris's Montmartre district by the clarinetist Henri Selmer, the brand draws upon the expertise of musicians to design, innovate and improve its range of instruments. Henri SELMER Paris also owes its success to the precious savoir-faire of the artisans at its Mantes-la-Ville workshops, where all the instruments have been made for over a century. Always attentive and at the service of instrumentalists, SELMER aspires to free the creative breath within every musician, no matter their musical genre and their needs."