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Earhart goggles sold at auction

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Goggles worn by Amelia Earhart during her 1932 solo trans-Atlantic flight brought \$141,600 at an auction of historic and Hollywood memorabilia. The auction took place Oct. 8 and 9.

The goggles were part of a collection of items auctioned off by Profiles in History of Calabasas Hills, Calif. They came with two letters of authenticity: one signed by Earhart herself, and one signed by her mother. Profiles in History declined to name the buyer of the goggles.



Amelia, a biographical film, is set to be released on Oct. 23. The film stars Hilary Swank in the title role, with Richard Gere and Ewan McGregor.

A flight suit worn by astronaut Gus Grissom after his recovery from the Project Mercury Liberty Bell 7 was sold for \$47,200. The flight suit was part of the personal collection of former NASA Physical Conditioning Supervisor Joe Garino Jr. The letter of authenticity accompanying the flight suit stated, "This flight suit was obtained by me when I was asked to clean out Gus Grissom's office after his death in the cockpit fire of the command module. I was told I could keep it by Deke Slayton, my former boss."

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