

AUCTION RULES

Petra Toth s.r.o. (hereinafter the “Operator”) offers visitors the opportunity to participate in an auction of one-of-a-kind pieces of jewellery (hereinafter the “jewellery”).

1. Basic information

Participation in the auction is voluntary and free of charge and requires only registration by completing all mandatory fields in the registration form on the website. During registration, each user chooses a username and password to use during the auction. A valid email address, full postal address and mobile telephone number must also be provided. By registering, the auction user agrees to the auction rules. The Operator will keep all information except the username confidential, will not provide it to third parties and may use it only as contact information for purposes related to the auction.

2. User information

The auction Operator does not verify the identity of every auction participant. If the Operator has doubts about a user's identity, it reserves the right to contact the user and verify their identity. If it is established that a user has provided demonstrably false personal information, the Operator reserves the right to prevent that user from participating in the auction and to cancel their transactions.

Users are responsible for maintaining the confidentiality of their user accounts and associated passwords. The Operator is not liable for any misuse of a user account by a third party, whether with or without the user's knowledge. The user undertakes to inform the Operator of any misuse or suspected misuse of their user account.

User accounts containing a manifestly fictitious, non-existent or unverifiable address or telephone number may be automatically blocked and deleted without prior notice.

3. Auction procedure

The auction of all six pieces of jewellery will take place from 12 December 2026 at 10:00 until 18 December 2026 at 21:00. During the auction, serious prospective buyers may place bids on individual lots. The minimum bid increment is €5 and the maximum is €50; bids may be made only in whole euros (not in cents). There is no limit on the number of bids a user may place during the auction.

The regular auction ends at 21:00 on the specified day. For pieces of jewellery on which no bid was placed during the final minute before 21:00, the auction ends and the item is acquired by the new owner who offered the highest amount. At 20:59, a three-minute protective period begins for each piece of jewellery. If a bid is placed on a particular item during that period, the three-minute period for that particular piece of jewellery starts again. Otherwise, the person who placed the last bid before the period expired becomes the owner of the piece of jewellery.

This gives serious prospective buyers of a particular piece of jewellery three minutes to respond to the preceding bid. There is no limit on how long this “extension” may continue.

The server time, which every auction participant can see on the auction page, is decisive for the auction.

The user who submitted the last bid and is shown as the last bidder when the auction of a particular piece of jewellery ends becomes entitled to purchase the item and is obliged to take delivery of and pay for it under the conditions below.

If it is established that a user is deliberately disrupting the auction, for example by bidding on an item they do not intend to buy, their bids will be cancelled and the user will be excluded from the auction. The same procedure will apply if a winning bidder fails to pay for the auctioned piece of jewellery.

Email notifications are for information only. Depending on the settings and operation of a participant's email client, they may be delayed, not delivered or placed in the spam folder. The website Operator is not responsible for this. Participants must therefore always rely on the information displayed directly with the individual items on the website petratoth.sk, which is considered decisive and binding.

The starting price covers the cost of making each one-of-a-kind piece.

The entire amount bid above the starting price automatically goes to the public collection entitled "Publication of Embroideries from the Vanished Villages of Lešť and Turie Pole", associated with the publication "A Legacy in Needle and Thread – Embroideries from the Vanished Villages of Lešť and Turie Pole". Its aim is to document professionally the valuable embroideries, ornaments and other fragments of the cultural heritage of the vanished villages and preserve them for future generations.

4. Winning bidders

After the auction ends, all winning users will be sent an email with detailed information about collecting the auctioned item and an issued invoice. The winning bidder will pay this invoice by bank transfer. The auctioned item can be collected only in person at the Petra Toth kiosk in the Eurovea shopping centre in Bratislava in February 2027, after the end of the (Ne)vymazané dedičstvo exhibition at Thurzov House in Banská Bystrica, of which the one-of-a-kind pieces of jewellery form part.

If the winning bidder does not pay the invoice for the auctioned item within 14 days, the item goes to the runner-up, who placed the second-highest bid during the auction.

If there is any uncertainty about the winner of a particular lot, the Operator will decide the winner on the basis of its internal records.

If no bid is placed on an item, it remains the property of the Operator, who may offer it in a possible second round of the auction.

5. Final provisions

The Operator does not guarantee that the auction will function without interruption or errors or that it will be secure; however, it is in the Operator's interest to provide the auction services and features to the highest possible standard. Any system or internet connection outages will not be taken into account when deciding the winners of the items. However, in the event of a server outage or proven system malfunction at the end of the auction, a decision may exceptionally be made to extend the auction or set an alternative date in order to ensure that it proceeds properly. The Operator reserves the right to change or cancel the auction in the event of unforeseen technical complications and must inform auction participants accordingly. The Operator's interest is to ensure that the auction runs smoothly and properly.

In the event of any uncertainty or technical or functional problems, users may contact the Operator at info@petratoth.sk.

Information on the processing of personal data

As a "visitor (user)", by ticking this box I expressly consent to Petra Toth, s.r.o., with its registered office at Muškátová 2, 900 21 Svätý Jur, company identification number (IČO): 50587595, registered in the Commercial Register maintained by the Bratislava III Municipal Court under file number Sro/146425/B, as the Controller, processing my personal data manually and by automated means, including profiling. These data comprise my first name, surname, username, telephone number, electronic (email) address and postal address for delivery of the certificate. The purposes are to answer questions or requests I have raised and to provide the services I have ordered.

Consent to the processing of your personal data

What we need from you

We collect only basic personal data about you, not special categories of sensitive data. These include your name, address, email address and telephone number.

Why we need them

We need to know your basic personal data in order to provide the services you order from us. We collect only the personal data needed to provide those services, and keep them only for the period necessary to provide the services you request or for the period required by law.

How we handle personal data

No third party has access to your data except where there is a legal basis for such access.

Further use

If you are interested, we would like to use your name and email address to inform you regularly about our news. You may unsubscribe from these updates at any time.

What are your rights?

If you wish to obtain more detailed information about how we process your personal data, access your personal data, request an explanation, update, correction, blocking or deletion of any personal data relating to you, withdraw your consent to the processing of personal data, remove your email address from our mailing lists, or if you have any questions, comments or concerns about our data protection practices, please contact info@petratoth.sk.