

## Asian Arts (1702)

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### Lot 4

**Estimate:** \$6000 - \$8000 (plus Buyer's Premium)

**A Chinese wucai-decorated porcelain beaker vase  
Transitional period, mid 17th Century**

With flared lip and foot, slightly raised waist, the neck decorated with The Tang Emperor Xuanzhong and a Daoist magician before the moon goddess Chang E and three female attendants; the slightly swelling waist with floral sprays, the foot with peaches and pomegranates.

H: 18 in.

Provenance: Acquired by the present owner from a Main Line, Philadelphia estate.

NOTE: The present vase illustrates the story of the Tang Emperor Xuanzhong searching for his ill-fated consort Yang Guifei. This was a popular theme decorating 17th century porcelain, for another vase of different form, circa 1650-1660, illustrating this subject, see Michael Butler et al "Shunzhi Porcelain, Treasures from an Unknown Reign", Seattle, 2002, pp. 206-207, no. 64

