



The Last Auction Hero

Royal rummage sale raises riches for AIDS

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For last summer's Di-namite Christie's auction, the Princess of Wales cleaned out her closets-79 ball gowns and cocktail dresses-and raised \$3.25 million for AIDS and cancer charities. This off-the-shoulder, ink-blue velvet dinner dress worn at a Reagan White House gala in 1985, where Princess Diana danced with John Travolta, was bought anonymously for \$222,500. The sale broke a previous Christie's record of \$145,000 for Travolta's *Saturday Night Fever* threads. As *POZ* went to press, Diana was killed in a tragic car accident. See the December issue for a tribute to the People's Princess.

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