



## SCROLL AND FLOWER PANEL VASES

*By Larry Yung Sr. (the really old one)*

Until just lately the Scroll and Flower Panel Vases were under rated and elusive. The Vase is stippled with a neat pattern, and it is a knock out in any color you can find it in. It stands a little less than 10" tall, with a base of slightly over 3". It flares to 6" wide, with a mouth of about 4". While that sounds close to standard size, it weighs in at about 4 pounds and with its big shoulders' looks it. This was one of the first patterns that Imperial reproduced, far more than were made originally, 50 to 1 would be a conservative number. To compare with Poppy Show vases and I am sure some have crossed the auction block a number of times. In the last 28 years there were 71 marigold, 19 purple, 19 smoke 11 pastel marigold, 3 helios, 1 amber and 1 lavender Poppy Show vases sold, while there were only 5 marigold and 3 purple Scroll and Flower Panel vases sold. Smoke and Clam broth are both known, but have not been sold in major auctions.

I am sure there must be a helios one out there, possibly there is one in amber or teal, and I can dream of one in blue or emerald green.

Here is an easy way to tell the old from the new. The new vase weighs ½ pound more, but you don't need to carry a scale along with all your other aids. If the top is other than turned inward, don't even stop, or if there is an IG mark inside, it is a new one. In the past unscrupulous people would grind off the IG to sell the vase as old. The old ones that I have seen all have a slight indentation in the center of the inside bottom. All of the old vases I have seen are iridized on the inside, while I have yet to find a new one that is iridized on the inside, and they do not have that indentation.

Referances: The Rettke and Mordini price guides, and personal observation