Wolfe von Lenkiewicz paintings soar in price: Prices for Wolfe von Lenkiewicz's paintings are far outstripping his father Robert's on the private market, writes Colin Gleadell.

The auction records are full of prices for the paintings of Robert O. Lenkiewicz, the eccentric and popular painter of vagrants and mod-
els, but they bear no trace of his son, Wolfe von Lenkiewicz, whose prices are far outstripping his father’s on the private market. Lenkiewicz fils appropriates the language and mythology of art history for his hybrid creations. His latest work, has taken the work of Hieronymus Bosch as its starting point, into which he has inserted an array of visual references from Francis Bacon’s screaming head to cartoonish Pokémon characters. Until now, his prices had not exceeded £60,000, but the principle work in this show, a triptych entitled The Garden of Earthly Delights (pictured) has sold for £160,000. The buyer was German collector Thomas Olbricht, chairman of Wella hair care, who displays his wide-ranging collection from 16th-century curiosities to contemporary works in a museum in Berlin that he calls the “me Collectors room”.