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Betty White Auction Gives Fans a Chance to Snag 'Golden Girls' Memorabilia

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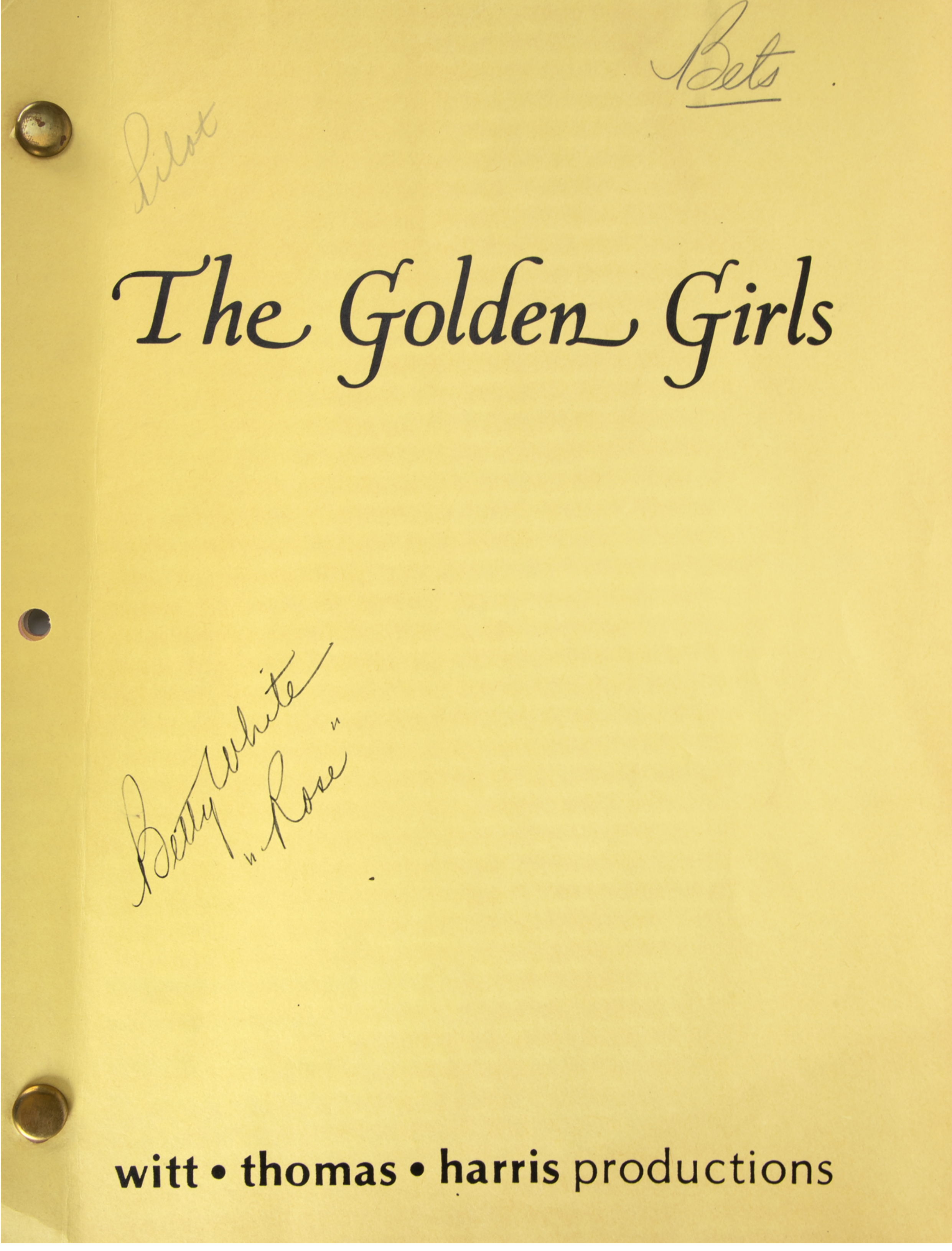
Betty White Estate Auction [Credit: Julien's Auctions]

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Iconic actress and comedian Betty White passed away nearly a year ago but with the help of her estate and Julien's Auctions, fans of the entertainer will have the opportunity to snag a piece of her legacy.

Beginning September 23 and running through September 25, Julien's will host an auction featuring some of White's most prized possessions. More than 1,600 pieces of personal items will be available to bid on and according to Martin Nolan, executive director of Julien's Auctions, it was White's wish to have the goods priced so real fans have a chance of grabbing some memorabilia.

"The nice thing about this auction is it's all affordable. Most of the lots in this sale are estimated in the range of \$200 to \$300. That's the average price so it's an inclusive auction. It's for the fans. That's what Betty wanted," Nolan told Cheddar News.



The Golden Girls (Touchstone Television, 1985-92) pilot first draft script, read by White. [Credit: Julien's Auctions]

Shortly after White's death in December 2021, representatives from Julien's Auctions visited her properties in Brentwood and Carmel, Calif. to begin cataloging pieces for the auction. Some of the hot ticket items going up for sale, including the script for the pilot episode of The Golden Girls, her original director's chair from the show, and several pieces of jewelry, are expected to go immediately.

"As you would expect, when Betty passed away, there was a phenomenal outpouring of sadness and grief and all of that and then when we announced the auction, people were starting to rejoice and say they have an opportunity now to own something from her life and career," Nolan said.

Julien's Auctions told Cheddar News it estimates the auction will generate anywhere between \$500,000 and \$800,000. But, as word of the auction circulates, Nolan said, "It could be an historical auction," and those figures could easily top \$2 million.



Betty White's original director chair from The Golden Girls (Touchstone Television, 1985-92) [Credit: Julien's Auctions]

"The funds will be used by the estate of Betty White to continue Betty's generous charitable giving as she has done for many years. Her legacy will be one of continued support of the environment and animal welfare," he added.

While the auction is set to take place in Beverly Hills over three days, fans from anywhere in the world can participate and place bids on [Julien's Live](#).