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Therese and Tino — Porcelain Doll Pair by Renate Höckh

"What a Beautiful World" Collection • The Georgetown Collection, Artist's Edition, c.1996

ESTIMATED WORTH

\$150 – \$225

Reflects the never-removed-from-box, sealed original condition of this pair — a scarce state for this collection today.



Tino, still bubble-wrapped, beside the original gold "Therese and Tino" collection tag



Therese's teal costume and Tino's protective hairnet, both untouched in their original packing

History & Background

Therese and Tino were created by German doll artist Renate Höckh as part of "What a Beautiful

World," a themed collection celebrating children from cultures around the globe, each pair or set portraying siblings in the traditional dress of a particular region. This pair, styled in South American — specifically Peruvian-inspired — folk costume, presents Therese, an older sister in a teal dress trimmed in red with detailed button work, and her baby brother Tino, dressed in tan overalls and a soft white bonnet, wearing a beaded necklace and anklet as ethnographic costume detail.

The set was issued through The Georgetown Collection, a well-regarded American marketer of limited collectible dolls throughout the 1990s that partnered with European doll artists to bring their work — individually crafted porcelain heads, hands, and feet on cloth or composition bodies — to American collectors through mail-order and gift-catalog channels. Pieces released as an "Artist's Edition" through Georgetown, as this pair was, were produced from an artist's original sculpt in a stated, though often unnumbered, limited production run, and issued complete with descriptive collector literature — the gold "Therese and Tino" card included in this set's box is exactly this kind of documentation.

What makes this particular example unusually desirable is its condition: both dolls remain completely sealed in their original Georgetown Collection packaging, never removed from the box since the day they arrived. Each figure is still individually bubble-wrapped, with Tino's hair still protected beneath its original netting and both costumes untouched by handling or display. Porcelain doll sets of this era very rarely survive in this pristine, factory-sealed state — most examples on the secondary market today have been unboxed and displayed for years, making this pair a genuine time capsule of its original 1996 presentation.

Notable Features

- ◆ Porcelain doll pair — "Therese and Tino" by Renate Höckh, from the "What a Beautiful World" collection
- ◆ Issued by The Georgetown Collection, Artist's Edition, c.1996
- ◆ Therese: older sister figure, teal folk-style dress with red trim and button detail
- ◆ Tino: baby brother figure, tan overalls, white bonnet, beaded necklace and anklet costume detail
- ◆ NEVER REMOVED FROM BOX — both figures remain factory-sealed in their original individual packaging, complete with protective wrapping and hairnet
- ◆ Original gold "Therese and Tino" collector's card and Georgetown Collection tissue paper included

Collector's Notes

Never-removed-from-box (NRFB) condition is the single biggest value driver for 1990s collectible dolls of this type, and this pair qualifies fully — both figures are exactly as they left the factory, complete with all original protective packaging intact. Collectors of Georgetown Collection and Renate Höckh pieces particularly seek out sealed examples, as the vast majority in circulation have been unboxed for display over the past three decades. This pair joined the Mom's Joy Room collection as a wonderful attic discovery in

September 2026.

*"Wrapped and waiting for thirty years — some treasures are patient enough
to wait for the right home."*

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