

Bid for that top-of-the-world phone

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DUBAI — A phone that's been to the top of the world with Dubai-based climber, Atte Miettinen, is now up for auction.

Miettinen used the phone to snap a few shots during his recent expedition to the summit of Mt Everest.

"I wanted to add a little bit of a positive angle into the whole climb of Everest. It was a great experience for me and I was working with

Nokia to get some shots from the mountain," he said. The proceeds from the online auction on Dubbizle.com, which ends on June 5, will go to the Dubai Autism Center.

Currently, the highest bid stands at Dh10,000.

"At this point, I'm hoping it'll get a lot higher and it's a neat item for someone to get," Miettinen said.

In addition to the Nokia 808 PureView phone with Miettinen's photos of the Everest, the person with the highest bid will get Miettinen's helmet, which he wore during his climbs up the Seven Sum-

mits, the highest mountain on each continent — except North America, which Miettinen will attempt on June 7 as he heads to Mount McKinley in Alaska.

Miettinen says only 350 people have climbed the highest peaks on each continent to date.

And when he's done with Mount McKinley, Miettinen says he might have to go back to his day job as an IT specialist.

"After the McKinley trip my wife will suggest I should get back to real work again."

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