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CHRISTIE'S NEW YORK SALES HIGHLIGHTS SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER, NOVEMBER & DECEMBER 2009

Interiors ~ 1-2 September 2009



Christie's launches its fall season of Interiors auctions in New York with an exciting two-day sale of fine art, antiques and collectibles with estimates starting at \$500. This September, we will feature a dedicated section of museum property from distinguished institutions- including the Dallas Museum of Art and the Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, sold to fund further acquisitions. Further highlights include two paintings by Robert De Niro Sr., a pair of Marc Newson "Embryo" chairs, as well as a selection of French art glass from the Pinhas Collection.

Fine and Rare Wines ~ 12 September 2009



The fall Wine auction contains a wide range of wines from all major regions of the world, at a variety of price points, including top end Bordeaux from the first growths and super seconds, as well as Burgundy from the leading producers, including Domaine de la Romanée Conti. Highlights include 12 bottles of 1945 Château La Mission Haut-Brion, two magnums of 1990 Romanée-Conti, and 3 magnums of 1947 Château Cheval Blanc.

Asian Art Week ~ 14-17 September 2009



Asian Art Week at Christie's will be comprised of Chinese Works of Art, Contemporary Indian, Indian and Southeast Asian Art, and Japanese and Korean Art Sales. The sales feature classical to modern works of art of outstanding quality, rarity, and excellent provenance.

Property from the Arthur M. Sackler Collections- 14 September, 4pm
Fine Chinese Ceramics and Works of Art- 15 September, 10am & 2pm
South Asian Modern + Contemporary Art- 16 September, 10am
Indian and Southeast Asian Art- 16 September, 2 pm
Japanese and Korean Art- 17 September, 10am

Impressionist and Modern Art ~ 22 September 2009



Christie's mid-season sale of Impressionist and Modern Art features an exciting array of paintings, sculpture, and works on paper by some of the leading artists of the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Many of the works are fresh-to-the-market from private collectors or celebrated institutions like the Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden. Collectors and newcomers will delight in the variety of styles and artists, which range from Post-Impressionists André Brasilier and Jean-Pierre Cassigneul to Modern Russian artists David Burluk and Leopold Survage.

First Open ~ 23 September 2009



The biannual *First Open* sale will offer a diverse selection of paintings, photographs, and sculpture by Post-War masters as well as Contemporary talents. Seasoned connoisseurs and emerging collectors alike will enjoy classic pieces by Andy Warhol, Gerhard Richter, Lawrence Weiner, Kiki Smith, Ed Ruscha, Kerry James Marshall and Gavin Turk. The attractive price levels of the works on offer make this an appealing way to begin or diversify a collection.

Fine American Paintings, Drawings, and Sculpture ~ 29 September 2009



Spanning the country's most important historical periods, this sale will bring together Modernist, American Impressionist, Surrealist and Western works by many of the most celebrated names in American art. Kay Sage, Reginald Marsh, Edward Kemeys, Sally Michel Avery and William Aiken Walker are just a sampling of artists represented in the sale. Also look for a selection of works offered by the Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, the Denver Art Museum, the Montclair Art Museum and the Delaware Art Museum sold to benefit the acquisitions fund.

Important American Furniture, Folk Art, and Prints ~ 30 September 2009



Our carefully assembled mid-season auction reflects the rich history, regional flavor, and aesthetic appeal of this collecting area. Sale highlights will include a rare complete set of eight Nantucket lightship baskets, a group of Federal furniture including a mahogany dwarf clock with the works by Joshua Wilder of Hingham, Massachusetts and the case attributed to Abiel White of Hingham and Weymouth, Massachusetts. The diverse offerings in this sale present an excellent opportunity to expand an existing collection or begin a new one.

Interiors ~ 1-2 October 2009

Photographs ~ 7-8 October 2009



Four Photograph sales will highlight the fall season comprised of iconic works from the 19th and 20th centuries. Included in the sales are works ranging from daguerreotypist masters to contemporary pieces by photographers such as Marcus Aurelius Root, Edward Curtis, Ansel Adams, Sally Mann, William Christenberry, Mitch Epstein, Robert Polidori, Alex Soth, William Eggleston, Stephen Shore, and Joel Sternfeld. Following the recent success of the Constantiner Collection this season will continue to excite any photographs lover.

Fine Musical Instruments ~ 13 October 2009



Christie's fall *Fine Musical Instruments* sale will present an exciting and extensive range of instruments ranging from 17th century sitars to more contemporary guitars and amplifiers, including a rare C.F. Martin 000-42 model. The sale also offers a classical selection of violins, cellos and bows, leading with a 1750 violin by Ferdinando Gagliano of Naples, and a 1929 violoncello by Carl Becker of Chicago.

The Estate of William F. Reilly ~ 14 October 2009



Christie's will present a single-owner collection of fine art and furnishings from the Manhattan residence of the late Mr. William F. Reilly, former chief executive officer and chairman of Primedia, and a prominent philanthropist and collector. The special sale features virtually all of the furniture, fine art, antiquities, and decorative objects that furnished Reilly's exquisite Sutton Square residence, which was conceived as a modern take on a great English country house. The complete collection of over 250 items is expected to sell for \$7 to 10 million.

Wine ~ 15 October 2009

Jewels: The New York Sale ~ 21 October 2009



The Annenberg Diamond, a spectacular D color, Flawless diamond of 32.01 carats, will be the leading highlight of *Jewels: The New York Sale* in October. Valued between \$3-5 million and boasting the impressive provenance synonymous with the Annenberg name, this extraordinary diamond will be among the most highly-anticipated jewels offered at auction in the coming fall season.

Important Silver and Objects of Vertu ~ 22 October 2009



The sale of *Important Silver and Objects of Vertu* will present collectors with an impressive selection of candelabras, bowls, and table services. Highlights include a magnificent Regency Silver-gilt Presentation Candelabrum of Sri Lankan Interest by Paula Storr, 1814, a set of four Regency Silver-gilt Salt Cellars by Garrad & Co., 1819, and a pair of William IV/Victorian Silver Six-light Centerpiece Candelabra by William Bateman, 1836-39.

Arts of the Samurai ~ 23 October 2009



Christie's sale of Arts of the Samurai on October 23 will showcase the finest and an impressive selection of arms, armor, swords and fittings. One of the highlights of the sale is a Namban style Japanese mounted Italian cabasset decorated with Renaissance motifs Momoyama period (Late 16th/ early 17th century).

Prints and Multiples ~ 27-28 October 2009



The Prints and Multiples sale will feature a strong selection of works from renowned printmakers this October. Highlighting the sale are Pablo Picasso's *Mme. Leonie*, from Saint Matorel, an early cubist work as well as *Figure au Coursage Raye*, in addition to several important MC Escher prints. Other significant pieces are a complete set of Andy Warhol's *Flowers* and Jasper Johns' *Flags I* and *Flag from the Lead Relief* series.

Impressionist and Modern Art Evening and Day Sales ~ 3-4 November 2009

Post-War and Contemporary Art Evening and Day Sales ~ 10-11 November 2009

Wine ~ 14 November 2009

Latin American Evening and Day Sales ~ 17-18 November 2009

European Furniture Sale ~ 20 November 2009

American Paintings Sale ~ 2 December 2009

Musical Instruments ~ 3 December 2009

Books and Manuscripts ~ 4 December 2009

Photographs ~ 7 December 2009

Jewels ~ 7 December 2009

20th Century Decorative Art ~ 8 December 2009
Antiquities ~ 8 December 2009
Ancient Jewelry ~ 8 December 2009
Wine ~ 9 December 2009
Books and Manuscripts ~ 9 December 2009
Interiors ~ 16-17 December 2009

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