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**IMPRESSIONIST AND MODERN MASTERS FOR  
ESTABLISHED AND NEW COLLECTORS**



**Impressionist and Modern Art  
Wednesday 10 September 2008**

**New York** – On 10 September Christie's New York Impressionist and Modern Art department launches its fall season with its biannual mid-season sale, offering 175 lots with estimates ranging from \$3,000 to \$80,000.

The sale features an exciting array of 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Century paintings, drawings and sculpture carefully selected by a team of specialists, offering both new and established collectors the opportunity to enhance their collections. This season's highlights include works by Gustav Klimt,

Camille Bambois, Jean-Pierre Cassigneul, Jules Cavaillès, Alexander Kanoldt, Carlos Nadal, Salvador Dalí, Andre Masson, Pablo Picasso, Auguste Rodin, Paul Signac, Yvonne Canu and Yves Tanguy.

Jean-Pierre Cassigneul, renowned for his elegant depictions of fashionable women, is represented by several alluring works including *Femme au peignoir blanc* (estimate: \$60,000-80,000) and *Nicole* (estimate: \$40,000-60,000). Highlights also include pointillist works by Yvonne Canu, including two captivating views of St. Tropez estimated at \$18,000-25,000 and \$25,000-35,000, respectively.

Other featured highlights are works on paper by Surrealist masters such as Salvador Dalí (*Etude pour le projet corrida*; estimate: \$35,000-45,000) and Andre Masson (*Paysage erotique*; estimate: \$3,000-5,000).

**Auction:** September 10, at 10 am

**Viewing:** September 6-9

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\*Estimates do not include buyer's premium

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