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**THE COLLECTION OF ELIZABETH TAYLOR
ARRIVES IN NEW YORK CITY DECEMBER 3**

TEN-DAY EXHIBITION INCLUDES THE FILM STAR'S JEWELRY, FASHION,
FINE ART, FILM MEMORABILIA, AND DECORATIVE ARTS COLLECTIONS

EXHIBITION TICKETS GO ON SALE ONLINE AT NOON, MONDAY OCTOBER 31



New York City — Christie's is pleased to announce the viewing of **The Collection of Elizabeth Taylor** at its Rockefeller Center galleries in New York City, after a global tour of selected highlights. The exhibition of items from the vast collection of the celebrated film star, fashion icon, and humanitarian will be on display to the public from December 3 to 12, 2011. Tickets to this highly anticipated event will go on sale at www.christies.com/elizabethtaylorviews on **Monday October 31, 2011, at noon EST** (see *instructions for purchase, page 3*). The ticket fee per person is \$30.

Visitors to the website may also pre-order a copy of the special tribute book dedicated to the star entitled *Elizabeth Taylor: A to Z, A Souvenir Publication*. The book is an illustrated journey through the life of Elizabeth Taylor as a collector, humanitarian and icon. The cost per book is \$20.

Following the ten-day New York exhibition, Christie's will host four days of live auctions, beginning with Elizabeth Taylor's most iconic jewels on the evening of December 13. The week continues with day and evening sales of Jewels, Haute Couture, Fashion and Accessories, Fine and Decorative Art, and Film Memorabilia (including costumes) through December 16. Additional items of fine jewelry, fashion, handbags and accessories will be offered in an online-only auction running from Dec. 3-17, and Impressionist and Modern Art from the Collection will be auctioned in London in February 2012 (*see appendix for sale schedule*).

The exhibition at Christie's New York is expected to draw huge crowds to Rockefeller Center during the peak of the pre-holiday season in December. Highlights from the collection are midway through a three-month global tour that has included stops in Moscow, London, Los Angeles, and Dubai thus far. The tour continues to Geneva, Paris, and Hong Kong during the month of November. Tickets to the recent Los Angeles stop on the tour sold out online within a matter of days, and Christie's added extra, late night viewing hours to accommodate the many fans and collectors who came to see the exhibition.

The New York exhibition will be the most expansive presentation of The Collection of Elizabeth Taylor, with selections from all of the major categories of her vast collection on display. The exhibition includes a video tribute to Elizabeth Taylor's life and legacy, and five richly illustrated catalogues of her collections and other souvenir publications will be available for purchase both online and on-site.

In keeping with Elizabeth Taylor's life-long devotion to humanitarian causes, Christie's is pleased to announce that a portion of the profits generated by exhibition admissions, events and select publications related to the exhibitions will be donated to The Elizabeth Taylor AIDS Foundation (ETAF). Founded in 1991, ETAF provides funding to AIDS service organizations around the world to assist those living with HIV and AIDS.

The viewing at Christie's New York will fill several floors of galleries at 20 Rockefeller Plaza, and includes:

Jewelry

Now known as "The Crown Jewels of Hollywood," Elizabeth's Taylor's iconic collection of jewelry is an expansive and thoroughly stunning assemblage of jewelry from the top design houses of the world, including BVLGARI, Boucheron, Cartier, JAR, Schlumberger, Tiffany, and Van Cleef & Arpels, among others. From the elegant simplicity of The Elizabeth Taylor Diamond of 33.19 carats to her most elaborate custom-designed jewels, Elizabeth Taylor's collection reveals in sparkling detail her celebrated love affair with jewelry. To see the complete press release, visit: <http://tinyurl.com/elizabethtaylorjewels>

Haute Couture, Fashion and Accessories

From the red carpets of Hollywood, to the ski slopes of Gstaad, to the sandy beaches of Puerto Vallarta, Elizabeth Taylor exuded glamour in every facet of her life. With the designers Valentino, Gianni Versace, Gianfranco Ferré and Valentino among her friends and collaborators, Elizabeth's style evolved throughout the years, resulting in a vast collection of haute couture, ready-to-wear fashion, handbags and accessories that reflect the star that she was, both on- and off-camera.

To see the complete press release, visit: <http://tinyurl.com/elizabethtaylorfashion>

Fine Art

Educated from a young age to appreciate fine art, objects and furniture, Elizabeth Taylor shared her love of fine paintings and drawings with her father, the art dealer Francis Taylor. She added steadily to her collection throughout the years, gradually assembling an exceptional group of late 19th century and early 20th century French and British paintings and drawings, Post-War & Contemporary works, and a significant group of modern British paintings inherited from her father.

The Collection of Elizabeth Taylor

Public Exhibition: The Collection of Elizabeth Taylor	December 3 – 12, 2011
The Legendary Jewels, Evening Sale	December 13, 2011
Jewelry (Sessions II & III)	December 14, 2011
The Icon and her Haute Couture, Evening Sale	December 14, 2011
Fashion and Accessories (Sessions II, III & IV)	December 15, 2011
Fine and Decorative Art & Film Memorabilia, including costumes	December 16, 2011
Online-Only Auction	December 3 – 17, 2011
Impressionist & Modern Art	February 2012, Christie's London

*To purchase tickets to the exhibition at Christie's New York,
please visit www.christies.com/elizabethtaylorviews*

*Tickets are \$30 per person and must be purchased online, in advance, for a specific time slot.
Tickets will be available for purchase beginning **Monday, October 31.***

*No tickets will be sold at the door or by phone.
Christie's New York is located at 20 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, NY.*

About Christie's

Christie's, the world's leading art business had global auction and private sales in the first half of 2011 that totaled £2.0 billion/\$3.2 billion. In 2010 it achieved global auction and private sales of £3.3 billion/\$5.0 billion. Christie's is a name and place that speaks of extraordinary art, unparalleled service and expertise, as well as international glamour. Founded in 1766 by James Christie, Christie's conducted the greatest auctions of the 18th, 19th and 20th centuries, and today remains a popular showcase for the unique and the beautiful. Christie's offers over 450 sales annually in over 80 categories, including all areas of fine and decorative arts, jewellery, photographs, collectibles, wine, and more. Prices range from \$200 to over \$100 million. Christie's has 53 offices in 32 countries and 10 salerooms around the world including in London, New York, Paris, Geneva, Milan, Amsterdam, Dubai and Hong Kong. More recently, Christie's has led the market with expanded initiatives in emerging and new markets such as Russia, China, India and the United Arab Emirates, with successful sales and exhibitions in Beijing, Mumbai and Dubai

**Estimates do not include buyer's premium. Sales totals are hammer price plus buyer's premium and do not reflect costs, financing fees or application of buyer's or seller's credits.*

Sale catalogues are available for pre-order online at www.christies.com/elizabethtaylor
Please visit the website for further details on tour information, press releases, tickets, and catalogues.

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