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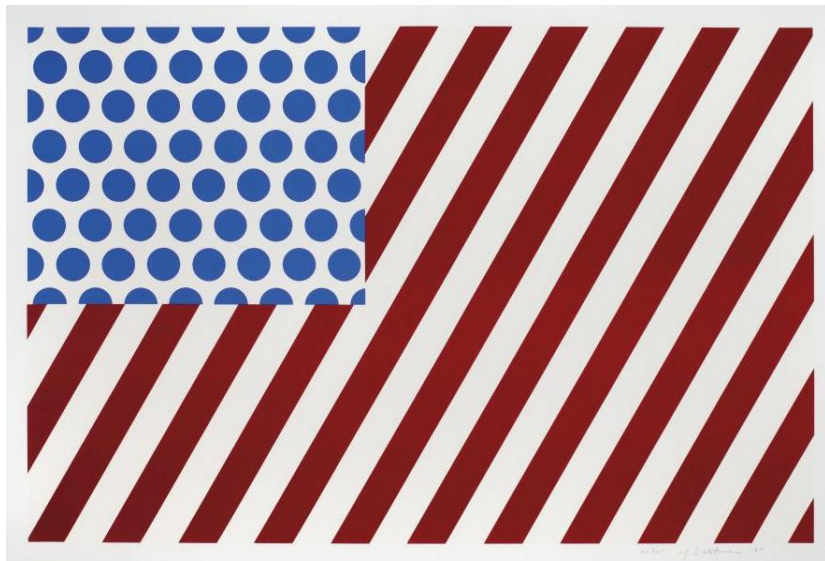
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## WASHINGTON TO WARHOL

AN EXHIBITION OF ART FROM CHRISTIE'S UPCOMING SALES  
RELATED TO THE AMERICAN PRESIDENCY

INCLUDING AN EARLY PRINTING OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE, PRESIDENTIAL PORTRAITS AND  
PORCELAIN AND THE ORIGINAL SIGNED DRAFT OF "THE BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC"

October 5-7, 2012



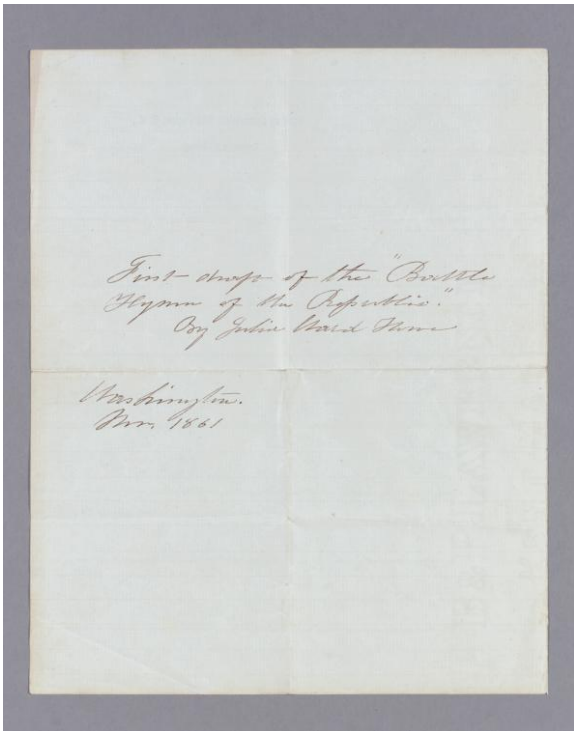
Roy Lichtenstein, *Forms in Space*, 1985

New York / Washington D.C. - Christie's is pleased to announce **Washington to Warhol**, a public exhibition of works associated with the American Presidency to be displayed in Washington D.C. from October 5 through October 7, in the midst of the presidential election season. On view at the **JW Marriott**® on Pennsylvania Avenue, the exhibition features rare objects and artwork of significant American historical interest, all to be offered in upcoming auctions at Christie's. With property from departments as diverse as Silver, Prints and Chinese Porcelain, highlights include Presidential portraits from the early days of the Republic to the 20<sup>th</sup> century work of Andy Warhol, Chinese porcelain from Thomas Jefferson and George Washington, and an early printing of The Declaration of Independence.

"We're thrilled to have been entrusted with so many inspiring pieces that bring American history to life," says Christie's Senior Specialist Becky MacGuire. "It is a privilege for Christie's to be able to share these significant and exciting historical works with the public, especially in an election season."

## Exhibition Highlights

### An Original Draft of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," written by Julia Howe in November 1861



The exceptional and unique manuscript of the most inspired and stirring of all American hymns, composed by Howe under dramatic circumstances during the early days of the Civil War, the original draft of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" is expected to achieve \$250,000 – 350,000. The patriotic hymn was written by the poet in near darkness, following her visit to Abraham Lincoln and tour of the battle lines near Washington D.C. Howe recalled "I went to bed that night as usual, and slept, according to my wont, quite soundly. I awoke in the gray of the morning twilight; and as I lay waiting for the dawn, the long lines of the desired poem began to twine themselves in my mind. Having thought out all the stanzas, I said to myself, 'I must get up and write these verses down, lest I fall asleep again and forget them.' So, with a sudden effort, I sprang out of bed, and found in the dimness an old stump of a pen which I remembered to have used the day before. I scrawled the verses almost without looking at the paper." This work will be included in Christie's December 7 Books and Manuscripts sale in New York.

### Andy Warhol's *Cowboys and Indians*, a set of ten screen prints, 1986



Andy Warhol's stunning screen print, *Teddy Roosevelt* is part of Warhol's exciting series, *Cowboys and Indians* from 1986. Employing his trademark use of imagery from popular culture, this portfolio is the first in which Warhol combines portraits and objects sourced from the legends of the American West. Included are depictions of monumental individuals such as *John Wayne*, *Annie Oakley*, *Geronimo*, and *General Custer*. Warhol also presented objects associated with the West like *Northwest Coast Mask*, *Kachina Dolls*, *Plains Indian Shield*, and *Indian Head Nickel*. This complete and fine portfolio of one of Warhol's later works is expected to bring \$120,000-180,000 in Christie's October 30 & 31 Prints & Multiples sale in New York.

## A Silver Teapot, Mark of Paul Revere, Jr., Boston, Circa 1782

Perhaps best known as a Revolutionary patriot, Paul Revere, Jr. (1734-1818) was the most prolific silversmith in 18<sup>th</sup> century Boston. At the outbreak of the War of Independence in 1775, Revere left his workshop to enlist in the Continental Army, where he served as Lieutenant Colonel of artillery regiment and led an expedition to capture a British fort on the Penobscot River in Maine in 1779. He retired from military service and returned to his silver workshop in 1780; this elegant neo-classical teapot was produced shortly thereafter. The form closely resembles two other surviving teapots by Revere, one in the collection of the Museum of Fine Arts Boston and another in the Yale University Art Gallery. The teapot will be included in Christie's 24 January, 2013 Sale of American Silver in New York, est. \$150,000-250,000.



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### Exhibition Information:

**WHO:** Christie's - The World's Leading Art Business

**WHAT:** *Washington to Warhol*

Christie's presents an exhibition of unique property from upcoming sales related to the American presidency, hosted by **JW Marriott® Washington DC**

**WHEN:**

Friday	October 5	12pm – 5pm
Saturday	October 6	10am – 5pm
Sunday	October 7	10am – 5pm

**WHERE:** JW Marriott® Washington DC  
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