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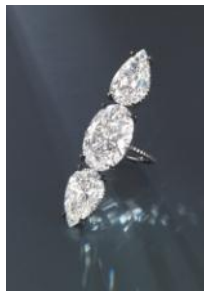
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An Early Preview of Christie's Hong Kong Spring Auctions 2012



Hong Kong – Leading global auction house Christie's will hold its 2012 Hong Kong Spring Sales from 26 to 30 May 2012 at the Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre. The Spring Sales series will present a spectacular array of exceptional works of art from Chinese paintings, Chinese ceramics and works of art, to Asian 20th century & contemporary art, as well as luxury collectibles such as jewellery, watches and wine. As the art market remains strong in Asia and the appetite for collecting continues to grow, Christie's Hong Kong is once again bringing the best works of art in well curated sales that will appeal to both seasoned and new collectors alike.

Click here for [sale schedule](#); select [highlights](#). & and [touring schedule](#).

Christie's Hong Kong Spring Auctions 2012 <i>Auctions: 26 -30 May / Public viewing begins on 24 May</i> <i>Convention Hall, Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre</i>			
Saturday, 26 May	10.30am 7pm	Woods Room James Christie Room	Fine and Rare Wines: The Property of a Gentleman Part II Asian 20 th Century & Contemporary Art (Evening Sale)
Sunday, 27 May	10am 3pm	James Christie Room	Asian 20 th Century Art (Day Sale) Asian Contemporary Art (Day Sale)
Monday, 28 May	2.30pm	James Christie Room	Fine Chinese Classical Paintings and Calligraphy
Tuesday, 29 May	10am & 3pm	James Christie Room	Fine Chinese Modern Paintings
	1.30pm	Woods Room	Hong Kong Magnificent Jewels
	2.30pm	James Christie Room	Grandiose and Mysterious – Magnificent Paintings by Cui Ruzhuo
Wednesday, 30 May	9.30am	Woods Room	Important Watches
	& 2pm		
	10.30am	James Christie Room	Masterpieces of the Enameller's Art from the Mandel Collection
	11.15am	James Christie Room	The Imperial Sale
	2.30pm	James Christie Room	Important Chinese Ceramics and Works of Art

Select Highlights:

FINE AND RARE WINES

Fine and Rare Wines: The Property of a Gentleman Part II – Saturday, 26 May, 10.30

Click [here](#) for more details on the highlights below.



Lot 555

Pétrus Collection

Pomerol, cru exceptionnel. Chateau-bottled
4 imperials per lot

Estimate: HK\$500,000-700,000



Lot 111-115

Château Mouton-Rothschild—Vintage 2005

Pauillac, 1er cru classé. Chateau-bottled
12 bottles per lot

Estimate: HK\$38,000-60,000

ASIAN 20TH CENTURY & CONTEMPORARY ART

Asian 20th Century & Contemporary Art (Evening Sale) – Saturday, 26 May, 7pm

Asian 20th Century Art (Day Sale) – Sunday, 27 May, 10am

Asian Contemporary Art (Day Sale) – Sunday, 27 May, 3pm

Click the links to view Asian 20th Century & Contemporary Art [Video](#)



Asian 20th Century & Contemporary Art Evening Sale

Zeng Fanzhi (B. 1964)

Fly

oil on canvas

Painted in 2000

unframed: 199.5 x 179 cm. (78 1/2 x 70 1/2 in.);

framed: 207 x 186.7 (81 1/2 x 73 1/2 in.)

signed 'Zeng Fanzhi' in Pinyin and Chinese; dated '2000' (lower right)

Estimate:

HK\$ 20,000,000 - 25,000,000

US\$ 2,564,100 - 3,205,100



Property from the Barron Family Collection

Zao Wou-ki (B. 1920)

Nu couché (Reclining Nude)

oil on canvas

Painted in 1952-1961

54 x 81.4 cm (21 1/4 x 32 in.)

Estimate:

HK\$ 4,000,000 - 6,000,000

US\$ 512,800 - 769,200



Affandi (Indonesian, 1907-1990)
Men with Cockerels oil on canvas
 oil on canvas
 Painted in 1964
 134 x 119 cm. (52³/₄ x 46⁷/₈ in.)

Estimate:
 HK\$ 1,200,000 - 1,600,000
 US\$ 153,800 - 205,100



Natee Utarit (Thai, B. 1970)
Alice in Ordinary Land
 oil on linen
 Painted in 2008
 160 x 180 cm. (63 x 70⁷/₈ in.)

Estimate:
 HK\$ 300,000 - 500,000
 US\$ 38,500 - 64,100

CHINESE PAINTINGS

Fine Chinese Classical Paintings and Calligraphy – Monday, 28 May, 2.30pm

Fine Chinese Modern Paintings – Tuesday, 29 May, 10am & 3pm

Grandiose and Mysterious – Magnificent Paintings by Cui Ruzhuo – Tuesday, 29 May, 2.30pm

Click the links to view Chinese Paintings [Press Release](#) and [Video](#)



From the private collection of Robert Hatfield Ellsworth

Zhu Yunming (1460-1526)

Poem on Plum Blossoms

Handscroll, ink on paper
 47.2 x 893.8 cm. (18 9/16 x 351 7/8 in.)

Estimate:
 HK\$ 7,000,000 - 8,000,000
 US\$ 900,000 - 1,000,000



ZHAO SHAO'ANG (1905-1998)

Bird on Kapok Tree

Scroll, mounted and framed, ink and colour on paper
184.5 x 95 cm. (72 1/2 x 37 3/8 in.)

Dated 1958

Estimate:

HK\$ 1,500,000 - 2,000,000

US\$ 193,000 - 258,000



From a Norwegian private collection

LIN FENGMIAN (1900-1991)

Lady Holding a Fan

Scroll, mounted and framed, ink and colour on paper
65.5 x 64.5 cm. (25 3/4 x 25 3/8 in.)

Estimate:

HK\$ 2,000,000 - 3,000,000

US\$ 258,000 - 386,000

HONG KONG MAGNIFICENT JEWELS

Tuesday, 29 May, 1.30pm

Click the links to view Hong Kong Magnificent Jewels [Press Release](#) and [Video](#)

Click [here](#) to view The Martian Pink Diamond Press Release



A superb 6.04ct pigeon's blood Burma, no heat cushion-shaped ruby and diamond ring, by Etcetera

Estimate:

HK\$ 20,000,000 - 30,000,000

US\$ 2,500,000 - 3,800,000



A 10.67ct D IF oval-shaped, 6.07ct and 6.04ct D IF pear-shaped diamond ring, by JAR

Estimate:

HK\$ 20,000,000 - 28,000,000

US\$ 2,500,000 - 3,500,000

CHINESE CERAMICS AND WORKS OF ART

MASTERPIECES OF THE ENAMELLER'S ART FROM THE MANDEL COLLECTION –

Wednesday, 30 May, 10.30am

THE IMPERIAL SALE – Wednesday, 30 May, 11.15am

IMPORTANT CHINESE CERAMICS AND WORKS OF ART – Wednesday, 30 May, 2.30pm

Click the links to view Chinese Ceramics and Works of Art [Video](#)

Click [here](#) to view Masterpieces of the Enameller's Art from the Mandel Collection Press Release



A rare and magnificent carved celadon-glazed vase

Qianlong six-character sealmark and of the period (1736-1795)

15 in. (38 cm.) high

Estimate:

HK\$ 25,000,000 - 35,000,000

US\$ 3,213,000 - 4,500,000



A pair of magnificent cloisonné enamel figures of caparisoned elephants

Qing Dynasty, 18th Century

20 ³/₄ in. (52.7 cm.) high

Estimate:

HK\$ 4,000,000 - 6,000,000

US\$ 518,000 - 777,000

IMPORTANT WATCHES

Wednesday, 30 May, 9.30am & 2pm

Click the links to view Important Watches [Video](#)



Patek Philippe. An extremely rare and highly important platinum perpetual calendar minute repeating tourbillon wristwatch with retrograde date and moon phases, ref. 5016, circa 2007

Estimates:

HK\$ 3,400,000 - 5,000,000

US\$ 425,000 - 625,000



Chopard. A fine and impressive 18K white cold baguette diamond rectangular wristwatch with bracelet, "Your Hour", circa 2010

Estimates:

HK\$ 800,000 - 1,200,000

US\$ 100,000 - 150,000

Christie's Hong Kong Spring Sale 2012 Touring Schedule:

Date	Location	Venue
14-17 April	New York	New York Office – Rockefeller Center
21-22 April	Beijing	Grand Hall, St. Regis Hotel
24-25 April	Shanghai	The Rose Ballroom I & II, The Peninsula Shanghai
28-29 April	Tokyo	Tokyo Showroom, Cornes & Co. Ltd
1 May	Osaka	Osaka Showroom, Cornes & Co. Ltd
5-6 May	Singapore	ArtScience Museum
10-14 May	Geneva	Hotel de Bergues – Watches
15-17 May	Geneva	Hotel de Bergues - Jewels
12 -13 May	Taipei	Fubon Life Assurance Building
20-21 May	Bangkok	Studio 9, Renaissance, Bangkok Ratchaprasong Hotel
24-29 May	Hong Kong	Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre

IMAGES of select highlights from Christie's Hong Kong Spring 2012 sales are available here:
<http://cshk.myftp.org/2012/%20Spring/%20Christie's/%20Hong/%20Kong/%20Auctions/HK/%20Spring/%20Sales/Early/%20Release/Images/>

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