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TIARAS AND PEARLS AT CHRISTIE'S LONDON *IMPORTANT JEWELS* SALE IN NOVEMBER



London – Christie's London November *Important Jewels* sale includes a selection of tiaras dating from the mid-Victorian era up to the 20th century, with estimates ranging from £7,000 to £250,000. Leading the selection is a magnificent mid-19th century diamond tiara which can also be worn as a necklace (estimate: £180,000 – 250,000, *illustrated above*). The sale also presents an impressive selection of natural pearls, including an important six-row natural pearl necklace (estimate: £300,000 – 400,000) and a rare coloured pearl single-row necklace (estimate: £380,000-550,000). In addition, the sale offers jewels from the 17th century to today, as well as examples by the leading houses and designers.

TIARAS

The selection of tiaras is led by a magnificent mid- 19^{th} century diamond tiara which can also be worn as a necklace (estimate: £180,000 – 250,000, *illustrated above*). Tiaras of the mid-19th century saw the subdued lines of the Empire style replaced with abundant sprays of scrolling floral and foliate motifs and alternatively,



openwork bands to be worn above the brow or over the chignon at the back of the head. This tiara falls into the second category, its simple design and unobtrusive setting displaying the large cushion and pear shaped diamonds to maximum effect.

From the late 19th century comes a beautiful diamond tiara which again can be transformed into a necklace

(estimate: $\pounds 15,000 - 20,000$, *illustrated above*). It is composed of five graduated shell motifs, each with an old-cut diamond collet centre. An early 20th century example is of an even more delicate design and composed of a series of rose and old-cut diamond millegrainset foliate motifs (estimate: $\pounds 7,000 - 10,000$, *illustrated right*).



PEARLS



The demand for high quality natural pearls continues to grow and this sale features a strong selection of 17 pearl necklaces at a wide range of estimates. As well as the important six-row natural pearl necklace



(estimate: £300,000 – 400,000, *illustrated left*), there is a wide array of pearls in a variety of different forms including a suite of late 19^{th} century natural pearl and diamond drops (estimate: £80,000 – 120,000, *illustrated above right*) and a pair of natural pearl and diamond ear pendants (estimate: £35,000 – 45,000).

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Lot 172 A pair of cultured pearl and diamond ear clips, by Cartier Estimate £15,000 - 20,000



Lot 201 A Tubogas bracelet, by Cartier Estimate £6,000 - 8,000



Lot 184 An early 20th century diamond brooch, by Cartier Estimate £25,000 - 30,000



Lot 338 A sapphire and diamond twostone ring, by Van Cleef & Arpels Estimate £18,000 - 25,000

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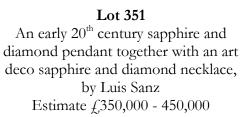
Lot 318 A diamond brooch and ear clips, by Van Cleef & Arpels Estimate £6,000 - 8,000



Lot 339 An art deco moonstone sapphire and diamond cocktail ring, by Van Cleef & Arpels Estimate: £8,000 – 12,000

ADDITIONAL HIGHLIGHTS







Lot 306 An early 20th century horn and enamel brooch, by René Lalique Estimate: £6,000 – 8,000



Lot 336 A pair of emerald and diamond ear pendants, by Etcetera Estimate: £130,000 – 160,000



Lot 302 An early 20th century scarab corsage ornament, by Rene Lalique Estimate: £40,000 – 60,000





Lot 97 A pair of coloured diamond and diamond novelty ear clips, by Graff Estimate £3,000 - 4,000

Lot 329 A rare enamel and diamond snake wristwatch, by Bulgari Estimate \pounds 60,000 - 80,000

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Friday, 22 November 2013: 9:00am – 4:30pm Saturday, 23 November 2013: 12:00pm – 5:00pm Sunday, 24 November 2013: 12:00pm – 5:00pm Monday, 25 November 2013: 9:00am – 4:30pm Tuesday, 26 November 2013: 9:00am – 8:00pm

AUCTION:

Important Jewels Wednesday, 27 November 2013 10:00am

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