CHRISTIE'S

PRESS RELEASE | NEW YORK | FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE | 28 JULY 2017

CHRISTIE'S PRESENTS THE 18TH ANNUAL STAFF ART SHOW FRONT OF HOUSE/BACK OF HOUSE



NEW YORK PREVIEW | JULY 28 – AUGUST 8th | ONLINE SALE | JULY 28 – AUGUST 9th WITH A PORTION OF PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT CREATIVE TIME

New York – Christie's is pleased to announce the 18th Annual Staff Art Show and Online Sale, **Front of House/Back of House**, taking place July 28 through August 9. Since its launch in 2000, this annual group show of artwork by Christie's New York staff offers the public a unique opportunity to view the astounding array of artistic expression at Christie's, the world's leading art business. The online sale will be open for bidding from July 28 – August 9 with a public preview exhibition taking place from July 28 – August 8 (excluding weekends) at Christie's New York.

The title of this year's Staff Art Show, **Front of House/Back of House**, celebrates the artists working behind-the-scenes and features over 90 works from more than 50 gifted artists from many departments throughout the company, including: Post-War & Contemporary Art, Private and Iconic, Watches & Wine, American Paintings, World Art, Business Intelligence, Estates and Appraisals, Client Services, IT, Business Support, Art Handlers, and more. The pieces span all mediums, dimensions, and styles, highlighting the diverse talents of the artists that work each day in the back and front of house.

Front of House/Back of House will offer collectors at all levels a chance to purchase* stunning works of art, in many different media, including photography, painting, works on paper, sculpture and multimedia constructions. Artworks will be available for purchase via an online auction; go to Christies.com for details. Visit Christie's Rockefeller Plaza galleries between July 28 through August 8, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. weekdays, for an opportunity to connect with these emerging artists.

This year, a portion of the proceeds from the sale will be donated to **Creative Time**, a New York based organization that commissions and presents ambitious public art projects, including Kara Walker's monumental *A Subtlety* or the *Marvelous Sugar Baby*, throughout New York City and around the world. Front of House/Back of House highlights and builds upon Creative Time's core values that artist's voices are important and that public spaces are places for creative and free expression.

*Works on view will be for sale at the discretion of the artist. A buyer's premium of 25% will be applied to each sale, which will be donated by Christie's to Creative Time.

PRESS CONTACTS:

Jennifer Cuminale | +1 212 636 2680 | jcuminale@christies.com Katelyn Kraunelis | +1 212 636 2680 | kkraunelis@christies.com

About Christie's

Christie's, the world's leading art business, had global auction, private and digital sales in first half of 2017 that totalled £2.35 billion / \$3 billion. Christie's is a name and place that speaks of extraordinary art, unparalleled service and expertise, as well as international glamour. Christie's offers around 350 auctions 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 also has a long and successful history conducting private sales for its clients in all categories, with emphasis on Post-War & Contemporary, Impressionist & Modern, Old Masters and Jewellery.

Alongside regular sales online, Christie's has a global presence in 46 countries, with 10 salerooms around the world including in London, New York, Paris, Geneva, Milan, Amsterdam, Dubai, Zürich, Hong Kong, and Shanghai.

*Please note when quoting estimates above that other fees will apply in addition to the hammer price - see Section D of the Conditions of Sale at the back of the sale catalogue.

*Estimates do not include buyer's premium. Sales totals are hammer price plus buyer's premium and are reported net of applicable fees.

###

Images available on request

FOLLOW CHRISTIE'S ON:

