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**CHRISTIE'S UNVEILS \$200 MILLION NEW YORK EXHIBITION OF
SPRING SALE HIGHLIGHTS**

Highlights on View Include:

- **Select Paintings from Major Spring Sales at Christie's**
- **Spectacular Sculptures, Jewels, Watches, Photographs, and Decorative Arts with many on view for the first time**
- **Asian Contemporary Art and Chinese Works of Art from Christie's Hong Kong**



Lucas Cranach the Elder (1472-1553)
Portrait of Princess Sybille of Cleves
(Estimate: \$4,000,000-6,000,000)



Pablo Picasso (1881-1973)
Claude et Paloma dessinant
(Estimate: \$7,000,000 – 10,000,000)



Andy Warhol (1928-1987)
Soup Can (Pepper Pot)
(Estimate: \$7,000,000-9,000,000)

New York – Christie's New York is pleased to present an exquisite collection of Spring Season highlights, open to the public from March 14 to March 17. This free exhibition highlights over fifty works of art from twenty categories and is valued in excess of \$200 million. It includes major works by Pablo Picasso, Andy Warhol, Mark Rothko, and Francis Bacon from the New York Impressionist & Modern Art and Post War & Contemporary Art sales; extraordinary Old Master Paintings, Russian paintings and Magnificent Jewels; a rare Roman porphyry statue of Tyche and a million dollar rug from the Doris Duke Collection and the Newport Restoration Foundation.

Marc Porter, President of Christie's Americas: “We are delighted to share this carefully selected set of highlights from our Spring Season alongside Christie's Asia Week preview. From fine paintings to exquisite jewels to powerful sculpture, there is something to delight any visitor to Rockefeller Center from March 14-17.”

Exhibition highlights include:

- Five superb works from the **Post War & Contemporary Art Evening Sale**, including Mark Rothko’s *No. 15*, 1952 (estimate on request), Francis Bacon’s *Three Studies for Self-Portrait* (estimate on request) and Andy Warhol’s *Double Marlon* (estimate on request).
- Spectacular paintings from the **Impressionist & Modern Art Evening Sale** including Joan Miró’s *La caresse de étoiles* (estimate: \$10,000,000-15,000,000) and Georges Braque’s *Verre et pipe Jour* (estimate: \$3,500,000-4,500,000).
- Beautiful portraits of the *Princess Sybille of Cleves* (estimate: \$4,000,000-6,000,000) by Lucas Cranach the Elder from the **Important Old Master Paintings** sale, of the *Comtesse de Greffuhle* (estimate: \$400,000-600,000) by Jacques Emile Blanche from the sale of **19th Century European Art**, and *Loge de Théâtre à Pékin* (estimate: \$1,800,000-2,500,000) by Aleksandr Evgen’evich Iakovlev from the **Russian Art** sale.
- Rare works by leading Asian artists including Zeng Fanzhi, Yue Minjun and Zhang Xiaogang from Christie's first ever **Evening Sale of Asian Contemporary Art and Chinese 20th Century Art** in Hong Kong in May.
- A magnificent pair of George III Silver-Gilt Candelabra (estimate: \$200,000-300,000) from the sale of **Important English, Continental Silver**.
- A gorgeous silk Isfahan rug of Central Persia (estimate: \$1,000,000- 1,500,000) from the Doris Duke Collection and the Newport Restoration Foundation, which will be offered in the sale of **Rugs and Carpets**.

Notes to editors:

Free public exhibition viewing at Christie’s, 20 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, NY

- **Friday, 14 March: 10am – 5pm**
- **Saturday, 15 March: 10am- 5pm**
- **Sunday, 16 March: 1pm- 5pm**
- **Monday, 17 March: 10am- 5pm**



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*Estimates do not include buyer's premium

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New York Spring 2008 Auction Calendar

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| 1-Apr | Post-War And Contemporary First Open |
| 2-Apr | William E. Self Collection: The Kenyon Starling Library of Charles Dickens |
| 4-Apr | Fine Musical Instruments |
| 8-Apr | 19 TH Century European Paintings |
| 9-Apr | 19 TH Century Furniture, Sculpture, Porcelain & Works of Art |
| 10-Apr | Fine Photobooks from an Important Private Collection |
| 10-Apr | Photographs By Diane Arbus: The Collection of Bruce and Nancy Berman |
| 10-Apr | Photographs From The Collection Of Gert Elfering |
| 11-Apr | Photographs By Ansel Adams from a California Collection |
| 15-Apr | Old Master Paintings |
| 15-Apr | Rare Jewels and Gemstones: The Eye of a Connoisseur |
| 16-Apr | Magnificent Jewels |
| 18-Apr | Russian Art |
| 22-Apr | Fine European Furniture |
| 24-Apr | Watches |
| 25-Apr | English Furniture |
| 29-Apr | Prints & Multiples |
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| 6-May | Impressionist & Modern Art Evening Sale |
| 7-May | Impressionist & Modern Art Day Sale |
| 7-May | Impressionist & Modern Art Works On Paper |
| 13-May | Post-War & Contemporary Art Evening Sale |
| 14-May | Post-War & Contemporary Art Morning Session |
| 14-May | Post-War & Contemporary Art Afternoon Session |
| 21-May | American Paintings |
| 22-May | Important English, Continental & American Silver |
| 23-May | European Furniture, Ceramics & Glass |
| 28-May | Latin American Paintings Evening Sale |
| 29-May | Latin American Paintings |
| 3-Jun | Rugs & Carpets |
| 4-Jun | Antiquities |



