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**CHRISTIE'S INTERIORS SALE TO FEATURE ASIAN CERAMICS
AND WORKS OF ART FROM THE PROMINENT
ARTHUR M. SACKLER COLLECTIONS**

APRIL 1 & 2 SALE AT CHRISTIE'S NEW YORK



New York – Following the outstanding results achieved for *Fine Chinese Art from the Arthur M. Sackler Collections* on March 18, Christie's will feature additional pieces from this collection in its *Interiors* sale on April 1 and 2. With a remarkable 99% sell-through rate by lot and by value, the recent sale totaled \$10.9 million and further reinforced that rare and exceptional works with excellent provenance continue to generate huge interest and demand from collectors throughout the world.

Dr. Arthur M. Sackler was one of America's foremost art collectors. The range of his interests was extraordinary and included Chinese, Indian, Middle Eastern, and Pre-Columbian art as well as European ceramics, sculpture, paintings and drawings from the medieval to the modern periods.

Among the highlights included in the upcoming *Interiors* sale are two Chinese archaic bronze ritual wine vessels from the late Shang Dynasty (pictured page one right - estimate: \$2,000-3,000); a Chinese unbound album of ten landscape paintings in the style of Tang and Song masters with a colophon on two leaves (pictured page one middle - estimate: \$3,000-5,000); a Korean green lacquered, mother-of-pearl, shagreen and tortoiseshell cabinet (pictured page one center - estimate: \$3,000-4,000); a Chinese huanghuali waisted corner-leg low table (estimate: \$8,000-12,000); and a Chinese painting of roses and butterfly (estimate: \$5,000-7,000).

In total, the *Interiors* sale includes over 850 items from various owner collections, including many one-of-a-kind items in virtually every style from antique to contemporary. With lower price points and an ever-changing repertoire of fine and decorative art, these sales – offered nearly once a month in the spring and fall – present excellent collecting opportunities for both designers and private individuals. Property offered in these sales is thoroughly researched by our experienced global team of specialists to ensure the utmost attention to quality and authenticity for which Christie's auctions are known.

A complete catalog of items in the sale is available online at www.christies.com.

Auction: 1- 2 April 2009

Viewing:

Saturday 28 March 10 am-5 pm

Sunday 29 March 1 pm-5 pm

Monday 30 March 10am-5pm

Tuesday 31 March 10am-2 pm

About Christie's

Christie's, the world's leading art business had global auction and private sales in 2008 that totaled £2.8 billion/\$5.1 billion. Christie's is a name and place that speaks of extraordinary art, unparalleled service and expertise, as well as international glamour. Founded in 1766 by James Christie, Christie's conducted the greatest auctions of the 18th, 19th and 20th centuries, and today remains a popular showcase for the unique and the beautiful. Christie's offers over 600 sales 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 \$80 million. Christie's has 70 offices in 30 countries and 10 salerooms around the world including in London, New York, Paris, Geneva, Milan, Amsterdam, Dubai and Hong Kong. More recently, Christie's has led the market with expanded initiatives in emerging and new markets such as Russia, China, India and the United Arab Emirates, with successful sales and exhibitions in Beijing, Mumbai and Dubai.

*Estimates do not include buyer's premium

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