

CHRISTIE'S

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[All sold prices include buyer's premium]

Important Swords from the Museum of Japanese Sword Fittings, Part II & Japanese and Korean Art

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Sold: \$5,636,460 Lots offered: 551 Lots sold: 464 £: \$1.86/€:\$1.28
£3,030,354 Sold by lot: 84% Sold by \$: 86% Sale No: 1557 & 1490
€4,403,484

COMMENT: Katsura Yamaguchi, Head of the Japanese and Korean Art department and Heakyum Kim, specialist for Korean Art: "The sale today started with Part II of the Collection of Swords from the Museum of Japanese Sword Fittings. Mirroring the success of Part I which was sold in London last fall, this session, offering just 56 lots, attracted a very focused and specialized audience and was 98% sold, totaling \$1.6 million. Interestingly, the morning session of the general sale continued with very strong prices for swords. All categories benefited from sustained and active bidding, undoubtedly further strengthened by the presence of several private collections such as Property from the Collection of Governor and Mrs. Nelson A. Rockefeller and Paintings from the Estate of Robert O. Muller. The Korean session which concluded the sale performed particularly well with white porcelain and the group of contemporary paintings."

LOT	PRICE	ESTIMATE	BUYER
21	\$132,000 £70,967/€103,125	\$30,000-40,000	European Private
A Soshu Tanto, inscription and signature in red lacquer, late Kamakura-Nanbokuchō period (14 th century)			
67	\$108,000 £58,064/€84,375	\$30,000-40,000	European Institution
A pair of Nanban-style inlaid iron stirrups, Momoyama period (early 17 th century)			
531	\$108,000 £58,064/€84,375	\$100,000-150,000	Asian Trade
A large porcelain jar, Choson period (18 th century)			
9	\$102,000 £54,838/€79,687	\$60,000-80,000	American Private
A Bizen Ichimonji school Tachi, signed, Middle Kamakura period (13 th century)			
37	\$90,000 £48,387/€70,312	\$10,000-15,000	American Private
An Echizen school Wakizashi, signed and inscribed, early Edo period (17 th century)			
44	\$90,000 £48,387/€70,312	\$15,000-20,000	Asian Trade
An Edo Katana, signed, Edo period (late 17 th century)			
88	\$90,000 £48,387/€70,312	\$50,000-60,000	European Private
A Satsuma Katana, signed and dated (1766)			
532	\$90,000 £48,387/€70,312	\$80,000-100,000	Anonymous
A porcelain flask, Choson period (16 th -17 th century)			
403	\$78,000 £41,935/€60,937	\$25,000-35,000	UK Private
Katsushika Hokusai, In the well ... from the series The thirty-six views of Mount Fuji			
81	\$72,000 £38,709/€56,250	\$50,000-60,000	UK Private
A Hiizen Daisho, signed, Edo period (17 th century)			