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[All sold prices include buyer's premium]

19th Century Furniture, Sculpture, Works of Art and Ceramics April 20, 2006

Sold: \$5,073,980	Lots offered: 441	Lots sold: 326	£:1.80 / €: 1.24
£2,818,878	Sold by lot: 74%	Sold by \$: 88%	Sale No: 1650
€4,091,919			

COMMENT: Rand Silver, VP/Specialist Head of 19th Century Decorative Arts said, "Christie's remains the market leader in this sale category. Today's incredible results show that pieces of the highest quality by the best makers continue to command top prices. Enthusiastic bidding from all over the world led to strong results across all collecting categories, particularly in the ivory market, which continues to be propelled by avid private collectors. Garden and outdoor sculpture performed exceedingly well, as seen with the top lot of the day, a monumental bronze of the Laocoön, which more than doubled its pre-sale high estimate. The offerings from The Corporate Collection of Lenox/Gorham, including bronzes and porcelain, performed particularly well due to the consistent demand for fresh-to-the-market items with a unique provenance."

Melissa Bennie, VP/Specialist Head of 19th Century Ceramics and Glass added, "Today we achieved a world record price for a spectacular pair of George Owen Royal Worcester reticulated vases. This plus the success of our top lot, a pair of Mintons pâte-sur-pâte vases, demonstrates the continued strength in the market for English-manufactured, signed collector pieces."

LOT	PRICE	ESTIMATE	BUYER
212	\$262,400 £145,778/ €211,613	\$120,000-180,000	European Private
An Italian patinated-bronze group of the Laocoön, after the antique, cast by the Fonderia Chiurazzi, Naples			
386	\$204,000 £133,333/ €164,516	\$100,000-150,000	Private Collector
A pair of Mintons pâte-sur-pâte salmon and chocolate-brown two-handled vases, "Hostess and Traveller"			
185	\$138,000 £76,667/ €111,290	\$30,000-50,000	Private Collector
A pair of large Chinese Imari porcelain vases and covers, mounted as torcheres			
23	\$120,000 £66,667/ €96,774	\$60,000-80,000	American Private
A French carved and painted ivory portrait of Louis XVI			
5	\$114,000 £63,333/ €91,935	\$25,000-35,000	American Trade
A large framed Roman micromosaic panel, second half 19th Century			
137	\$114,000 63,333/ €91,935	\$50,000-80,000	American Private
A fine French ormolu-mounted brèche violette marble fire-surround, late 19th century			
368	\$102,000 £56,567/ €82,258	\$18,000-22,000	Private Collector
A pair of Royal Worcester (George Owen) reticulated vases and stoppers			
WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR THE ARTIST			
8	\$84,000 £46,667/ €67,742	\$15,000-25,000	Middle Eastern Private
A Continental ormolu and pietre dure circular centre table, second half 19th century			
489	\$78,000 £43,333/ €62,903	\$10,000-15,000	Middle Eastern Private
An ormolu-mounted Sèvres style turquoise-ground vase, circa 1851			
89	\$72,000 £40,000/ €58,065	\$20,000-30,000	UK Trade
A pair of Regence style ormolu-mounted griotte rouge marble jardinières-on-stands, late 19th century			