

Nineteenth and Twentieth Century Art

Tel Aviv, The Hilton Hotel – Sunday, 27 April 2008 Sale no: 1005 – Top Ten [All sold prices include buyer's premium]

 Sold:
 \$4,648,075
 £2,358,232
 €2,976,101

 Lots Sold: 76
 Lots Offered: 120
 Sold by Lot: 63%
 Sold by \$: 75%

 Exchange Rate £ = \$1.971 / €1.5618

Lot	Description	Estimate (\$)	Purchase Price	Buyer
14	Marc Chagall (1887 - 1985), Le chant du Roi David, 1976	350,000-450,000	\$713,000 £361,745 €456,525	European Trade
45	Reuven Rubin (1893 - 1974), Old Sycamore Trees, 1927 WORLD RECORD PRICE FOR THE ARTIST AT AUCTION	250,000-350,000	\$623,400 £316,286 €399,155	Anonymous
26	Marc Chagall (1887 - 1985), Le violoniste allongé, 1969	350,000-450,000	\$421,000 £213,597 €269,561	European Private
32	Felix Nussbaum (1904 - 1944), Selhstbildnis mit Papierhut und blauem Schal, circa 1936	200,000-300,000	\$241,000 £122,273 €154,309	Anonymous
50	Mordecai Ardon (1896 - 1992), <i>Parable of 1 x 1</i> , 1951	200,000-300,000	\$241,000 £122,273 €154,309	USA Trade
99	Serge Poliakoff (1900 - 1969), Composition	100,000-150,000	\$211,000 £107,052 €135,101	European Private
25	Reuven Rubin (1893 - 1974), Rubin and Esther, 1940-1960	80,000-120,000	\$127,000 £64,434 €81,316	European Private
98	Jean-Michel Atlan (1913 - 1960), Carnaval II, 1948	70,000-90,000	\$127,000 £64,434 €81,316	European Trade
55	Reuven Rubin (1893 - 1974), Landscape Near Safed, 1960	50,000-70,000	\$106,600 £54,084 €68,255	European Trade
36	Jules Pascin (1885 - 1930), Nu sur un fauteuil, 1927	80,000-120,000	\$97,000 £49,214 €62,108	European Trade

Comment: Roni Gilat-Baharaff, Head of sale: We are extremely pleased with the results of our annual auction of 19th and 20th Century art in Tel Aviv which represent the highest auction total to date for Christie's in Israel. The pre-sale exhibition welcomed a large number of clients, and the auction itself saw a record of 55 international clients bidding by telephone and competing with a large number of bidders in the room, and clients who had registered to bid online through Christie's LIVE. This competition resulted in some spectacular prices including that for the top lot, *Le chant du Roi David* by Marc Chagall, which sold for \$713,000, the highest ever price realized by a work of art sold by Christie's in Israel. *Old Sycamore Trees* by Reuven Rubin, sold by the US Government, realized \$623,400 and set a record price for the artist at auction, and the second highest auction record for an Israeli artist.

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