

CHRISTIE'S

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Post-War and Contemporary Art Morning Session ~ May 10, 2006

Sold: \$40,746,200 Lots offered: 178 Lots sold: 155 £:\$1.86/€:\$1.28
 £21,906,559 Sold by lot: 87% Sold by \$: 95% Sale No: 1659
 €31,832,968

COMMENT: Mary Peck, Vice President and Specialist for the Post-War and Contemporary Art department: "The Morning Session achieved the highest total for a Morning Session sale for another consecutive season. The room was packed and bidders from around the world fought hard for Post-War works from important private, institutional and corporate collections. Great prices were seen for all segments of this market – from a classic Warhol *Self-Portrait*, to a Christo *Gates* piece to a rare Kusama painting from the Estate of Donald Judd. Eight new world record prices were set, including for works by Pierre Soulages, Christo, Elmer Bischoff, Victor Vasarely, Harry Bertoia and Forrest Bess. Today's market responds to top quality, realistic estimates and perfect presentation - qualities exemplified by today's Morning Session."

LOT	PRICE	ESTIMATE	BUYER
148	\$1,472,000 £791,398/€1,150,000	\$500,000-700,000	European Trade
Andy Warhol, <i>Self-Portrait</i> , synthetic polymer and silkscreen inks on canvas			
188	\$1,248,000 £670,968/€975,000	\$600,000-800,000	American Private
Ed Ruscha, <i>Hell, Heaven</i> , acrylic on canvas			
201	\$1,136,000 £610,753/€887,500	\$350,000-450,000	Anonymous
Willem De Kooning, <i>Untitled 18</i> , oil and charcoal on paper laid down on canvas			
193	\$1,080,000 £580,645/€843,750	\$700,000-1,000,000	American Private
Ed Ruscha, <i>Travel Agency</i> , oil on canvas			
167	\$912,000 £490,322/€712,500	\$800,000-1,200,000	American Trade
Robert Motherwell, <i>The Grand Inquisitor</i> , acrylic on canvas			
190	\$912,000 £490,322/€712,500	\$400,000-600,000	American Private
Roy Lichtenstein, <i>Study for Interior with Skyline</i> , printed paper collage on board			
138	\$912,000 £490,322/€712,500	\$150,000-200,000	American Trade
Yayoi Kusama, <i>No.D</i> , oil on canvas			

SECOND HIGHEST PRICE FOR THE ARTIST AT AUCTION

144	\$856,000 £460,215/€668,750	\$400,000-600,000	American Private
Wayne Thiebaud, <i>Roast Beef Dinner (Trucker's Supper)</i> , oil on canvas			
130	\$822,400 £442,150/€642,500	\$300,000-400,000	American Private
Lee Krasner, <i>Untitled (The Mouse Trap)</i> , oil on canvas			
163	\$800,000 £430,107/€625,000	\$700,000-900,000	American Private
Mark Rothko, <i>Black, Black on White</i> , acrylic on paper mounted on panel			