

CHRISTIE'S

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[All sold prices include buyer's premium]

The Irish Sale
Thursday 15 May 2003

Sold: £3,546,424* Lots offered: 252 Lots sold: 172 \$: 1.605/ €: 1.394
\$5,692,010 Sold by lot: 63% Sold by £: 84% Sale No: 6719 & 9625
€4,943,715

COMMENT: Bernard Williams, Director, Irish Art: "In an increasingly selective market, we were pleased that the quality pictures offered today fetched some incredible prices including a new world record at auction for a painting by the acclaimed Irish artist George Barret. The sale boasted a further three record prices for works by Sean Keating (lot 82/£139,650), Rowan Gillespie (lot 94/£19,717) and Thomas Ryan (lot 96/£7,767)."

Lot 56, Sir William Orpen's *Gardenia St George on a donkey* sold for £733,250 immediately following the sale.

LOT	PRICE	\$	€	ESTIMATE	BUYER
3	£363,650	\$583,658	€506,928	£100,000-150,000	Private Irish Collector
George Barret, R.A. (1728 or 1732-1784), <i>A mountainous wooded river landscape with a waterfall with two figures preparing to fish and another crossing the river across a fallen tree in the foreground</i> , oil on canvas WORLD RECORD FOR THE ARTIST AT AUCTION					
51	£251,650	\$403,898	€350,800	£150,000-250,000	Anonymous
Sir John Lavery, R.H.A., R.A., R.S.A. (1856-1941), <i>The Spanish Coast from Tangier, Trafalgar Bay in the distance</i> , 1920, oil on canvas					
77	£251,650	\$403,898	€350,800	£70,000-100,000	Private Irish Collector
Jack Butler Yeats, R.H.A. (1871-1957), <i>The Nimrod of the Railway Train</i> , 1948, oil on board					
37	£195,650	\$314,018	€272,736	£120,000-180,000	Private Irish Collector
Walter Frederick Osborne, R.H.A. (1859-1903), <i>The return of the flock</i> , 1885, oil on board					
2	£184,450	\$296,042	€257,123	£100,000-150,000	Private Irish Collector
George Barret, R.A. (1728 or 1732-1784), <i>A wooded mountainous river landscape with anglers by a waterfall in the foreground, a ruined tower house in the distance</i> , oil on canvas					
82	£139,650	\$224,138	€194,672	£50,000-80,000	Pym's Gallery
Sean Keating, P.R.H.A., H.R.S.A. (1899-1978), <i>The Feast of Bridget</i> , oil on canvas WORLD RECORD FOR THE ARTIST AT AUCTION					
79	£111,650	\$179,198	€155,640	£80,000-120,000	Private Irish Collector
Jack Butler Yeats, R.H.A. (1871-1957), <i>A Little Shade</i> , 1952, oil on canvas					
57	£100,450	\$161,222	€140,027	£40,000-60,000	Anonymous
Sir William Orpen, R.H.A., R.A. (1878-1931), <i>Grace and Mary, the artist's wife and daughter; Sunny Weather</i> , 1910, pencil and watercolour					
78	£100,450	\$161,222	€140,027	£60,000-100,000	Private Irish Collector
Jack Butler Yeats, R.H.A. (1871-1957), <i>Farewell to the Sea</i> , 1943, oil on canvas					
63	£83,650	\$134,258	€116,608	£50,000-80,000	Anonymous
Roderic O'Connor (1860-1940), <i>La Jeune Fille</i> , circa 1926, oil on canvas					

*The sale total and percentages incorporate the price of £733,250 achieved for lot 56