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**IMMACULATE CELLAR OFFERINGS AND WORLD-CLASS EVENTS WITH LEADING WINE PERSONALITIES LEAD CHRISTIE'S WINE PROGRAM THIS EARLY FALL**

**New York, London** – Christie's International Wine Department, the world's leading wine auctioneer, announces program details for this coming September and October.

After a successful sale season in the Spring, the Department looks forward to an exciting and busy Fall season, with a number of highly-anticipated auctions, tastings and events set to whet the palate of established collectors, wine investors and wine enthusiasts across the globe.

**Select September and October Highlights**

19 September

*South Kensington – Fine Wines and Vintage Port*

90 charity wine lots will be auctioned to benefit WaterAid, part of the Make Poverty History campaign.

22 September

*King Street – Fine Wine including a Superb Private Cellar*

An immaculate central London private cellar highlights this sale, including great wines of the famed 1961 vintage – Latour, Haut -Brion, Cheval Blanc, Palmer and Gruaud -Larose. Six dozen bottles of Pétrus 1989 in original wooden cases also feature, along with a rare six-bottle case of Le Montrachet 1978 from Domaine de la Romanée-Conti.

23 September

*New York – A Per Se pre-season Tasting and Gala Dinner*

Held in Per Se's private dining room, the tasting will compromise highlights from the September and October New York sales, as well select wines from the Private Cellar of Lee Kramer, to be sold in Los Angeles. The evening also includes the first public tasting of Penfold's Limited Release Bin 60A and Block 42, with Penfold's winemaker Peter Gago in attendance - the event will be hosted by Michael Broadbent, Senior Consultant to the Wine Department and David Elswood, International Head.

24 September

*New York – Fine and Rare Wines*

The largest wine auction at Christie's New York for five years. This 2000-lot sale features a \$1 million North East collection, with 15 Domaine de la Romanée-Conti assortments from the 1978 to 2001 vintages with every Grand Cru included, in original wooden cases, complimented by sought after Bordeaux and a Methuselah of Cristal 1990. The sale also contains large format Bordeaux, including six magnums of Mouton-Rothschild 1947, classic California wines and a group of highly collectable Rhône wines from a Bay Area collection.

26 September

*South Kensington – Fine Wines From the Cellar of Restaurant La Tante Claire*

A wide range of top quality wines from the cellar of the famous La Tante Claire restaurant, including a wide range of Bordeaux particularly Saint-Emilion and Pomerol, red and white Burgundy from vintages throughout the 1990s and fine Rhône featuring a full case of Hermitage La Chapelle 1990.

October 1

*Los Angeles – The Extraordinary Private Cellar of Lee Kramer*

The most exciting private cellar to appear at Christie's Los Angeles in five years, this 367-lot collection includes a case of 1947 Cheval Blanc and a case of 1949 Lafite, both in half-bottle format, in original wooden cases; five cases of Pétrus 1970 and five of 1971; and five vintages of La Mission Haut-Brion, including the 1953 vintage, also in original carton case. Expected to realize in excess of \$1.1 million, the cellar was amassed over 40 years by Lee Kramer, a brilliant musician, a bon viveur, a romantic and a self-made businessman who fell in love with France, wine and his wife whilst leading a hedonistically Bohemian life in Paris in the immediate post-war years. He wanted to make his fortune in the hi-fi business in the South during the 1960s and 1970s and Christie's is honored to be offering his fine cellar.

6 October

*London – Australian Wine Classification with Andrew Caillard, MW*

In association with Langton's, the leading Australian wine auctioneer. Christie's has a long-established partnership with Langton's and Andrew Caillard, Langton's Director, will lead a tasting of the some of the finest Antipodean wines available today.

12 October

*London – Dujac Masterclass*

Led by Dujac winemaker Jacques Seysses and Anthony Hanson MW, Senior Consultant to the Wine Department, the tasting will include the legendary 1985 vintage, including Echézeaux, Clos St Denis, Clos de la Roche and Bonnes Mares.

20 October

*London - Fine Wines and Vintage Port*

The sale will feature a range of wines sourced directly from Domaine Dujac including extremely rare formats released especially for the sale.

22 October

*New York – Fine and Rare Wine*

A thrilling array of large formats from the great 1980s Bordeaux vintages and magnum parcels and large format bottles from the 1995 and 1996 Bordeaux vintages lead the auction. Enticing verticals from top Burgundy domains also feature, including Rousseau and Claude Dugat.

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**The full International wine sales calendar can be accessed at [www.christies.com](http://www.christies.com)**

**Wine images available on request**

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Christie's is the largest wine auctioneers in the world and remain the only international wine auctioneer to sell on both sides of the United States – and in Europe, the only auction house to hold regular sales outside London.