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CHRISTIE'S INTERNATIONAL WATCH DEPARTMENT LEADS FALL SEASON IN NEW YORK

Rare Patek Philippe and Impressive Private Collection of Modern Watches Highlight New York Sale

Important Pocket Watches & Wristwatches
Including the Important Collection of a Distinguished Gentleman
October 20, 2005

New York – Christie's International Watch Department will lead its fall season with the October 20 sale of Important Pocket Watches & Wristwatches Including the Important Collection of a Distinguished Gentleman at Rockefeller Center. This sale of 383 lots includes rare modern and vintage wristwatches by Patek Philippe, Rolex, Cartier, Audemars Piguet, Vacheron & Constatin, and more. The sale also features an impressive private collection of 151 modern wristwatches.

Leading the sale are two extremely fine and rare wristwatches by Patek Philippe. The first is a pink gold perpetual calendar chronograph wristwatch with moon phases and bracelet, reference number 2499 (estimate: \$500,000-800,000). Equally rare is the Patek Philippe platinum minute repeating tourbillion wristwatch, reference number 3939H (estimate: \$300,000-350,000).

Also of particular note in this sale is a Vacheron & Constantin white gold, minute repeating wristwatch originally owned by Henry D. Moyle, a renowned leader in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (estimate: \$150,000-200,000). Moyle (1889-1963) was named an Apostle in 1947 and served as counselor in the First Presidency of the Church from 1959 until his death.

An extraordinary private collection of 151 modern wristwatches makes this sale a must-see for collectors of contemporary wristwatches. The collection features a vast array of watches from the 1980's to today – many of them in unused conditions. From the simple to the most complicated of watches, this collection touches upon a wide range of celebrated makers and rare styles.

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Adrienne Hines, Head of Watch Sales at Christie's New York, says, "We are thrilled to be leading off this year's season in New York with such a strong sale of exceptional pieces. Our spring sale was extraordinary, producing the highest sale total of any watch and clock auction in the United States to date this year, and we look forward to a successful fall sale."



PATEK PHILIPPE. AN IMPORTANT AND RARE PINK GOLD PERPETUAL CALENDAR CHRONOGRAPH WRISTWATCH WITH MOON PHASES AND BRACELET

Signed Patek Philippe, Geneve, Movement No. 869438, Case No. 2637713, Ref. 2499, Manufactured in 1971 and Sold October 31, 1972 Estimate: \$500,000-800,000

Auction: Important Pocket Watches & Wristwatches October 20

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Viewing: Christie's Galleries at 20 Rockefeller Plaza October 15-19

More information about Christie's sale of Important Pocket Watches & Wristwatches Including the Important Collection of a Distinguished Gentleman can be found on www.christies.com. All lots from the sale can be viewed online along with full catalogue descriptions on Lotfinder®, which also allows clients to leave absentee bids. www.christies.com provides information on more than 80 sale categories, buying and selling at auction, complete auction results, and Christie's international auction calendar.

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