CHRISTIE'S

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[All sold prices include buyer's premium]

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Japanese Art 2 October 2005

Total: £282,432 Lots Offered: 361 Lots Sold: 229 \$496,798 Sold by Lot: 63% Sold by £: 83%

€412,351 Sale No: 5565 Exchange Rate: \$1.759 / €1.460

LOTS	£	\$	€	Estimate	Buyer
149 An inla	£66,000 aid shibuichi flow	\$11,609 er vase, late 19 th (€96,360 century, signed C	£15,000-25,000 Ozeki sei	European Trade
156 A Kom	£7,800 nai style cabinet, l	\$13,720 ate 19 th century	€11,388	£4,000-6,000	European Trade
247 A large	£5,760 ivory okimono o	\$10,132 of a bijin, <i>circa</i> 190	€8,410 00	£1,000-1,500	Asian Trade

Comment: Ingrid Collingridge, Director, Asian Department:

"Christie's first Sunday sale of Japanese Art received a warm reception at South Kensington on October 2^{nd} . There was strong competition in the busy room and on the telephones between Japanese, European and American clients, particularly for ivories and metalwork. Prices ranged from £300 upwards and we were particularly pleased with the price achieved for the prize lot of the sale (lot 149), an inlaid shibuichi flower vase decorated with monkeys and crabs which realised an impressive £66,000."