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## CHRISTIE'S TO AUCTION DONDA BULLET PROOF VEST NFT

## PHYSICAL VEST SIGNED BY KANYE WEST OFFERED WITH UNIQUE, 1-OF-1NFT

## FIRST NFT LOT TO BE OFFERED IN LUXURY SALE AT CHRISTIE'S



MBD: A SIGNED DONDA BULLET PROOF VEST & 1-OF-1 NFT Includes Two Components: A Signed Donda Bullet Proof Vest & A 1-of-1 NFT Anonymous Powered by Ethernity MBD: Donda Vest token ID: 1 wallet address: 0xFBC3B76A206f03f1edbF411F280444cD3fD9c7C8 smart contract address: 0xc24b5829ed9f31e3d98ac8a5fa4984d9766deb81 Acquired and digitally recreated in 2021, minted 11 November 2021. Accompanied by matching 1-of-1 non-fungible token. Estimate: \$20,000-30,000

**New York** – Christie's New York announces an exciting addition to the <u>Handbags x Hype: The Luxury Remix</u>, an online-only sale open for bidding until December 9.

For the first time in a luxury sale at Christie's, <u>Handbags x Hype: The Luxury Remix</u> will offer an NFT lot. <u>MBD: A Donda Bullet Proof</u> <u>Signed Vest by Kanye West</u> (Estimate: \$20,000-30,000) is offered with two unique components that commemorate this moment of music history: the physical bullet proof vest worn by Kanye West during his listening event and a 1-of-1 NFT.

The physical vest, complete with ballistics panels, is hand-painted "DONDA" and signed by Kanye West to read "MBD," an acronym for My Body Different. The accompanying 1-of-1 NFT serves as a digital representation of the physical vest. Minted by Ethernity, a community-oriented platform that produces limited edition authenticated NFTs, on November 11, 2021, the NFT is complete with digital 3D data, empowering this iconic symbol to live forever in both the physical world and the larger metaverse.

Worn by Kanye West during the August 5<sup>th</sup> debut of his DONDA album at The Mercedes Benz Super Dome in Atlanta, Georgia, where Kanye was born, the DONDA vest signifies a unique piece of music history. The DONDA album was the most anticipated of Kanye's career, dedicated to his mentor and late mother Donda West, with multiple release dates, the world waited anxiously for this pivotal moment in Kanye's career.

Designed with the idea that Kanye only needed the absolute essentials to survive, the vest worn during the release was a meta phor that Kanye's life is militaristic, as seen in his readiness to go on stage and risk his life for his music and craft. When the show came to an end, Kanye signed the back of the vest to read "MBD" (mybody different).

### **SALE INFORMATION:**

**PREVIEW:** 3-7 December 2021, Christie's, 20 Rockefeller Center, New York **ONLINE AUCTION:** 24 November to 9 December 2021

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