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[All sold prices include buyer's premium]

Modern & Contemporary Southeast Asian Art

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Sold: HK\$42,968,200	Lots offered: 117	Lots sold: 93	HK\$1=US\$0.13
US\$5,585,866	Sold by lot: 79.49%	Sold by HK\$: 94.48%	HK\$1=£0.08
£3,437,456		Sale No: 2202	

COMMENT: **Ruoh-Ling Keong**, Vice President and Head of Christie's Southeast Asian Pictures Department, said: "This sale demonstrates the consistency of the Southeast Asian art market with a high percentage of lots sold to private buyers within the region complemented by positive participation from buyers in Europe and the United States. The sale achieved the highest total of any sale at Christie's in this category."

Leading the sale was Indonesian artist Lee Man Fong's *Rojak seller* which realized HK\$3,928,000, almost doubling the high estimate. *Magpupukot* (Pulling in the net) by Carlos V. Francisco, better known as Botong, realized an exciting HK\$1.44 million, setting a new world auction record for the artist. *Park bench no. 1* by Bencab which achieved HK\$420,000, was a staggering seven times the high estimate, with Vietnamese artist Le Pho's *À l'approche du tête* realizing HK\$1,912,000 and doubling its high estimate. The contemporary Southeast Asian art section was also very well received with Agus Suwage's *Luxurious blue* selling for HK\$80,000, well above its high estimate.

The success of the sale today shows that the market remains very strong for modern and contemporary Southeast Asian art and we are delighted to see new buyers continuing to enter the market."

LOT	PRICE			ESTIMATE	BUYER
88	HK\$3,928,000	US\$510,640	£314,240	HK\$1,200,000-2,000,000	Asian Private
Lee Man Fong (Indonesia 1913-1988), <i>Rojak seller</i>					
22	HK\$3,704,000	US\$481,520	£296,320	HK\$2,000,000-3,000,000	Asian Private
Adrien-Jean Le Mayeur de Merprès (Belgium 1880-1958), <i>Dancers in the garden, Bali</i>					
21	HK\$3,704,000	US\$481,520	£296,320	HK\$2,800,000-3,500,000	Asian Private
Adrien-Jean Le Mayeur de Merprès (Belgium 1880-1958), <i>Three women in the interior</i>					
20	HK\$3,032,000	US\$394,160	£242,560	HK\$800,000-1,000,000	Asian Private
Adrien-Jean Le Mayeur de Merprès (Belgium 1880-1958), <i>à Madagascar, Nossi Bé</i>					
13	HK\$2,360,000	US\$306,800	£188,800	HK\$600,000-800,000	Asian Private
Rudolf Bonnet (The Netherlands 1895-1978), <i>Balinese beauty holding a rijstbald</i>					
50	HK\$1,912,000	US\$248,560	£152,960	HK\$600,000-800,000	Asian Private
Le Pho (Vietnam 1907-France 2001), <i>À l'approche du Tête</i>					
26	HK\$1,440,000	US\$187,200	£115,200	HK\$1,200,000-1,600,000	Private
Miguel Covarrubias (Mexico 1904-1957), <i>The bather</i>					
36	HK\$1,440,000	US\$187,200	£115,200	HK\$1,200,000-1,600,000	Asian Private
Carlos V. Francisco (The Philippines 1913-1969), <i>Magpupukot (Pulling in the net)</i>					
*WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR THE ARTIST					
114	HK\$1,080,000	US\$140,400	£86,400	HK\$550,000-700,000	Asian Private
Hendra Gunawan (Indonesia 1918-1983), <i>Mother and child</i>					
17	HK\$1,080,000	US\$140,400	£86,400	HK\$400,000-650,000	Asian Private

Rudolf Bonnet (The Netherlands 1895-1978), *Balinese actor as Arjuna Bertapa*