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Important Old Master & British Pictures Day Sale

London – Wednesday, 3 December 2008

Sale no: 7633 – Top Ten

[All sold prices include buyer's premium]

Sold:	£4,338,900	\$6,464,961	€5,089,530
Lots Sold: 116	Lots Offered: 162	Sold by Lot: 72%	Sold by £: 81%
Exchange Rate £: = \$1.490/1.173€			

Lot	Description	Estimate (£)	Purchase Price	Buyer
129	Joachim Anthonisz. Wtewael (Utrecht 1566-1638), <i>The Apotheosis of Venus and Diana</i>	£70,000-100,000	£223,250 \$332,643 €261,872	European Trade
110	Master of the Fiesole Epiphany (Italian, active 1450-1500), <i>The Madonna and Child with a Monastic Saint and an Angel</i>	£40,000-60,000	£157,250 \$234,303 €184,454	UK Trade
134	Jan Breughel II (Antwerp 1601-1678), <i>An extensive river landscape with boats coming down the river to dock by a village</i>	£80,000-120,000	£133,250 \$198,543 €156,302	European Trade
218	Francesco Lupicini (Florence c. 1588/91-after 1652 Saragossa), <i>The Penitent Magdalene</i>	£20,000-30,000	£103,250 \$153,843 €121,112	European Trade
120	Circle of Lucas Cranach I (Kronach 1472-1553 Weimar), <i>Justice with the serpent device and dated '1534' (lower left)</i>	£60,000-80,000	£103,250 \$153,843 €121,112	UK Private
220	The Master of the Misericordia (Florence, active mid-14th Century), <i>A Prophet</i>	£40,000-60,000	£99,650 \$148,479 €116,889	European Trade
267	Pietro Bellotti (Venice 1722-1780 Warsaw), <i>The entrance to the Cannareggio, Venice, with the Church of San Geremia and the Rialto Bridge</i>	£40,000-50,000	£97,250 \$144,902 €114,074	European Private
192	Thomas Gainsborough, R.A. (Sudbury 1727-1788 London), <i>Portrait of Elizabeth, wife of Richard Colvile (1737-1784), half-length, in a blue dress</i>	£60,000-80,000	£91,250 \$135,963 €107,036	UK Private
142	Studio of Jan van Kessel I (Antwerp 1626-1679), <i>A basket of grapes, on a ledge with partridge, lemons, squashes and other fruits and vegetables, and game; and A porcelain bowl of tulips, roses and irises with a parrot, figs and grapes on a ledge with other fruit, vegetables, fish and a basket of mushrooms</i>	£20,000-30,000	£85,250 \$127,023 €99,998	European Trade
268	Luca Carlevaris (Udine 1663-1730 Venice), <i>The Rialto Bridge on the Grand Canal, Venice, with the Palazzo dei Camerlenghi</i>	£60,000-100,000	£85,250 \$127,023 €99,998	European Private

Comment: Richard Knight, International Director of Christie's Old Master Department and Paul Raison, Director and Head of Old Master Pictures at Christie's, London: This morning's auction produced strong results with nine of the top ten works exceeding their pre-sale estimates. This week's auctions of Old Masters Pictures at Christie's in London have realised £20,100,888 / \$29,918,799 / €23,625,628, and saw committed bidding from international collectors, dealers and institutions. The market for old master pictures continues to show strong demand at every level for rare, market fresh works offered from private collections with appealing estimates.

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