

*For Immediate Release
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*Teddy Bears
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Total: £254,734	Lots Offered: 433	Lots Sold: 307
\$ 441,963	Sold by Lot: 71%	Sold by £: 87%
€ 360,958	Sale No: 9765	Exchange Rate: \$ 1.735/€ 1.417

Top Lots

<i>Lot</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>\$</i>	<i>€</i>	<i>Estimate</i>	<i>Buyer</i>
30	£23,500	\$40,773	€33,300	£10,000-15,000	Anonymous
<i>A fine Steiff teddy clown, mid 1920s</i>					
432	£8,812	\$15,289	€12,487	£4,000-6,000	U.K. Trade
<i>A large Steiff teddy bear, circa 1909</i>					
32	£7,637	\$13,250	€10,822	£1,800-2,500	Anonymous
<i>A fine Steiff German Infantryman doll, circa 1910</i>					

Comment: Daniel Agnew, Christie's Teddy Bear Specialist:

"The biggest-ever Teddy Bear sale at Christie's totalled over a quarter of a million pounds today, illustrating the continued buoyancy of the teddy bear market. We were particularly pleased with the £23,500 fetched for a fine Steiff teddy clown, recently discovered on the BBC Antiques Roadshow in Belfast. A packed saleroom remained transfixed throughout the three-and-a-half hour sale, and top prices were paid for early Steiff and teddy bear rarities."