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**CRISPIN JACKSON APPOINTED HEAD OF CHRISTIE'S  
SOUTH KENSINGTON BOOK DEPARTMENT**

**South Kensington** – Christie's London Book Department is delighted to announce the appointment of Crispin Jackson as Head of Department at Christie's South Kensington. Crispin joins Christie's from the Rare Book Review and brings extensive experience in the field. A book collector for over thirty years, Crispin has previously worked in rare book journalism and most recently has acted as editor of *Book & Magazine Collector* and *Rare Book Review*.

In addition, Christie's is pleased to announce that Sven Becker joined the King Street Book Department in October from Simon Finch Rare Books, where he was a director of the company. He led the Ledbury Road bookshop and gallery for the past seven years and played a significant role in acquisitions such as the Turner collection at Keele University. Sven brings a wealth of knowledge of books old and new, as well as book collectors and the trade.

Christie's London Book Department is gearing up for a busy spring 2005 season. The first sale of 2005, *The Sunday Book Sale* takes place at South Kensington on 27 February and will offer book lovers and collectors alike the chance to browse the shelves for the first time at Christie's on the weekend. The second sale in Christie's new and innovative Sunday Auction Series, the auction will offer a wide range of literature and fine bindings from the 17<sup>th</sup> century through to the 20<sup>th</sup> century together with a number of modern first editions, with estimates ranging from £200 to £2,000.

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## **Notes for Editors:**

### 1. Opening Hours

In 2005, Christie's South Kensington will have the following opening hours:

- Monday 9am – 7.30pm
- Tuesday to Friday 9am to 5pm
- Saturday and Sunday 10am to 4pm

The weekend openings will be throughout the year except for bank holidays.

### 2. Sunday Auction Series

- The Sunday Book Sale on 27 February 2005 is the second in the series of Sunday auctions.
- Christie's South Kensington will be the first international auction house in London to offer regular weekend auctions.

Christie's worldwide Book sales totalled \$80 million in 2000 and established us as the undisputed market leader in the field. In 2005, Christie will hold 8 book sales at South Kensington including a new Sunday Book Sale on 27 February and 9 book sales at King Street. Christie's holds world auction records in virtually every category, including Early Printed Books; English & Continental Literature; Exploration & Travel Art; Manuscripts & Archives; Medieval & Renaissance Manuscripts; Natural History; Americana and Science & Medicine. Christie's also handles highly collectable books and manuscripts, ranging from children's books, livres d'artistes, sporting books, atlases and maps, to fine bindings, modern printing and first editions.