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The Songde Tang Collection of Chinese Modern paintings, Fine Chinese Modern Paintings
Hong Kong – Friday, 28th May, 2010 – Sale no: 2801, 2802, 2803 – Top Ten
[All sold prices include buyer's premium]

Sold: HK\$ 426,685,250	US\$ 54,786,386	£ 37,633,639	€ 44,460,603
Lots Sold: 340	Lots Offered: 404	Sold by Lot: 84.2%	Sold by HK\$: 70%
Exchange Rate: HK\$1 = US\$0.1284/ £0.0882/ €0.1042			

Sale/Lot	Description	Estimate (HK\$)	Purchase Price	Buyer
2803/552	HUA YAN (1682-1756) <i>Birds and Flowers</i>	4,000,000 - 6,000,000	HK\$ 19,140,000 US\$ 2,457,576 £ 1,688,148 € 1,994,388	Chinese Private
2803/553	LENG MEI (17TH-18TH CENTURY) <i>The Young Hercules</i>	1,200,000 - 1,500,000	HK\$ 16,900,000 US\$ 2,169,960 £ 1,490,580 € 1,760,980	Chinese Private
2802/921	ZHANG DAQIAN (1899-1983) <i>Lady Holding Lotus</i>	2,000,000 - 3,000,000	HK\$ 14,100,000 US\$ 1,810,440 £ 1,243,620 € 1,469,220	Chinese Private
2802/770	XU BEIHONG (1895-1953) <i>Comorants</i>	2,000,000 - 3,000,000	HK\$ 13,540,000 US\$ 1,738,536 £ 1,194,228 € 1,410,868	Chinese Private
2802/773	QI BAISHI (1863 - 1957) <i>Bamboo</i>	3,000,000 - 5,000,000	HK\$ 11,860,000 US\$ 1,522,824 £ 1,046,052 € 1,235,812	Chinese Private
2803/551	YUAN MEI (1716-1797), YOU ZHAO (18TH CENTURY) AND WANG GONG (18TH CENTURY) <i>Yuan Mei and His Female Students</i>	3,000,000 - 5,000,000	HK\$ 11,860,000 US\$ 1,522,824 £ 1,046,052 € 1,235,812	Chinese Private
2801/680	QI BAISHI (1863-1957) <i>Amaranth, Crickets, Persimmon and Peaches</i>	800,000 - 1,000,000	HK\$ 10,628,000 US\$ 1,364,635 £ 937,390 € 1,107,438	Chinese Private
2802/768	XU BEIHONG (1895-1953) <i>The Three Stallions</i>	7,000,000 - 9,000,000	HK\$ 10,180,000 US\$ 1,307,112 £ 897,876 € 1,060,756	Chinese Private
2801/677	QI BAISHI (1863-1957) <i>Going to School</i>	2,200,000 - 2,800,000	HK\$ 9,844,000 US\$ 1,263,970 £ 868,241 € 1,025,745	Chinese Private
2802/747	FU BAOSHI (1904-1965) <i>Scholars</i>	2,500,000 - 3,000,000	HK\$ 9,020,000 US\$ 1,158,168 £ 795,564 € 939,884	Chinese Private

"Today's sales show the continuing strength of the Chinese Paintings category, " said **Ben Kong, International Specialist Head of Christie's Chinese Paintings Department**, "There was active bidding in a packed room, where many Chinese buyers competed for the best works offered at the sale, resulting in many lots going well over the high estimates, including Leng Mei's *'The Young Hercules'* (sold HK\$16.9 million/US\$2.16 million) and Qi Baishi's *'Amaranth, Crickets, Persimmon and Peaches'* (sold HK\$10.6 million/US\$1.36 million), both of which went for multiples of the estimate."

Images of the top ten lots and select auction shots can be downloaded here: <http://christies.com/Spr/2010/30chs/31Ln/4Kp/3Wvns/ChnsPrms/RSULTS/>

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