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Sale no. 1500 - Top Ten

[All prices include buyer's premium]

Sold:	€ 9,643,000	£ 7,724,043	\$ 12,044,107
Sold lots: 109	Lots offered: 127	Sold by lot: 86%	Sold by €: 91%
Exchange rates: €1 = £0.801 / \$1.249			

Lot	Description	Estimate (€)	Purchase Price	Buyer
46	Alberto Burri , <i>Plastica</i> , 1962 AUCTION RECORD FOR THE ARTIST IN ITALY	800,000 - 1,200,000	€1,482,800 £1,187,722 \$1,852,017	Private
48	Alberto Burri , <i>Combustione E 2</i> , 1960	600,000 - 800,000	€756,800 £606,196 \$945,243	Private
36	Lucio Fontana , <i>Concetto Spaziale, Attese</i> , 1964-65	400,000 - 600,000	€693,800 £555,733 \$866,556	Private
44	Giorgio de Chirico , <i>Il Trovatore</i> , 1939	400,000 - 600,000	€630,800 £505,270 \$787,869	Private
9	Lucio Fontana , <i>Concetto spaziale</i> , 1967-68	250,000 - 350,000	€530,000 £424,530 \$661,970	Anonymous
45	Lucio Fontana , <i>Concetto spaziale, Attesa</i> , 1965	350,000 - 500,000	€504,800 £404,344 \$630,495	Private
54	Giorgio de Chirico , <i>Piazza d'Italia</i> , 1950s	350,000 - 500,000	€315,800 £252,955 \$394,434	Private
2	Giuseppe Capogrossi , <i>Superficie 668</i> , 1968-69	130,000 - 180,000	€252,800 £202,492 \$315,747	Anonymous
26	Lucio Fontana , <i>Concetto spaziale, Attese</i> , 1959	180,000 - 250,000	€227,600 £182,307 \$284,272	Anonymous
43	Renato Guttuso , <i>Uomo che mangia gli spaghetti</i> , 1956	90,000 - 130,000	€145,700 £116,705 \$181,979	Private

Renato Pennisi and Cristiano Giulio Sangiuliano, Co-Heads of Post-War & Contemporary Art, Christie's Italy, commented: "As a result of the meticulous selection of the works offered at Christie's Milan auction of Modern and Contemporary Art, national and international buyers competed fiercely, generating high selling rates both by value and by lot. Alberto Burri led the sale, resulting in the highest price achieved by the artist at auction in Italy, while numerous works by Fontana, de Chirico and Capogrossi exceeded expectations, demonstrating a growing demand for the most exceptional paintings by Italian 20th century art".

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