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King Street, Thursday, 10 April 2014, Sale 1520

[All sold prices include buyer's premium]

142 lots sold **Total: £5,111,750 / \$8,577,517 / €6,190,329** 63% sold by lot
 226 lots offered \$ 1.678 = £1 / € 1.211=£1 83% sold by value

Lot	Description	Estimate (£)	Price Realised	Buyer
188	A rare and important early Iznik pottery bowl, Ottoman Turkey, <i>circa</i> 1510	300,000 - 500,000	£1,426,500 \$2,393,667 €1,727,492	Anonymous
130	A Mughal Jade Pendant (<i>Haldi</i>), Mughal India, dated AH 1006/1597-98 AD	15,000 - 20,000	£290,500 \$487,459 €351,796	Middle East Private Collector
5	Khawaja Kirmani (d. Ca. 1349): <i>Khamsa</i> , copied for Muhammad Shah Bahadur, Timurid Iran, mid-15 th century	80,000 - 120,000	£266,500 \$447,187 €322,732	European Private Collector
15	Qur'an, Safavid Herat, third quarter 16 th century	120,000 - 180,000	£194,500 \$326,371 €235,540	Middle East Private Collector
145	A Mughal gem-set jade hilted dagger (<i>Khanjar</i>), North India or Deccan, 17 th century	100,000 - 150,000	£194,500 \$326,371 €235,540	Middle East Private Collector
186	A <i>Firman</i> of Sultan Murad II (r.1421-1444 and 1446-1451 AD) Amasya, Turkey, dated 3 Rabi' I AH 830/ 2 January 1427 AD	60,000 - 80,000	£158,500 \$265,963 €191,944	Asian Private Collector
14	Jalal Al-Din Abu Muhammad Nizami (d. AH 613/1217 AD): <i>Khamsa</i> , Signed 'Attar, Safavid Tabriz, dated AH 928/1521-22 AH	60,000 - 80,000	£134,500 \$225,691 €162,880	European Private Collector
97	Qur'an, Signed Ahmed Al-Nayrizi, Mashhad, Iran, dated 4 Sha'ban AH 1134/20 May 1722 AD	100,000 - 150,000	£134,500 \$225,691 €162,880	Middle East Private Collector
48	Qur'an Section, Jazira, <i>circa</i> 1198-1219	30,000 - 50,000	£122,500 \$205,555 €148,348	Anonymous
10	Nur Al-Din 'Abd Al-Ahman Jami (d. AH 898/1492 AD): <i>Yusuf wa Zulaikha</i>	60,000 - 80,000	£98,500 \$165,283 €119,284	European Private Collector

Sara Plumbly, Head of the Islamic department: "The results today demonstrate renewed strength in the market for Islamic and Indian art. In a busy saleroom, with many bidding online and on the telephones, high prices were achieved across the category. We were particularly delighted with the price achieved for a rare Iznik bowl which sold for £1.4 million breaking the world record for any piece of pottery from the modern Islamic world. Elsewhere in the sale strong results were achieved across a variety of media, notably manuscripts where a *Khamsa*, copied for Muhammad Shah Bahadur, the son of Baysunghur (lot 5) sold for £266,500. Mughal jade and gemset objects were also a highlight. A jade pendant which was also the earliest known dated Mughal jade, sold for an amazing £290,000. The quality of the jade and the extremely fine calligraphy suggested possibly royal patronage and excited the numerous bidders who competed in the room and on the telephones for the piece. We were also delighted to welcome a number of new buyers to the category."

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Next Sale: Arts and Textiles of the Islamic and Indian Worlds – South Kensington, 11 April 2014

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