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CHRISTIE'S HONG KONG SPRING AUCTIONS 2015 ACHIEVED HK\$3.22 BILLION / US\$417.6 MILLION



HONG KONG – Christie's leads the auction market in Hong Kong with sales of HK\$3.22bn (US\$417.6m).

Renowned private collections dominated Christie's spring auctions. Over 60 auction records were broken across categories, and collectors also witnessed the most valuable jewellery auction ever organized in Asia (HK\$909.7m/US\$117.9m). Buyers from mainland China continued to be active, and were joined this year by collectors from Singapore and Taiwan, who competed for 5 days in 16 auctions.

"The season was especially memorable for the many important collections curated by Christie's specialists, offering art lovers access to some of the top private collections from the world over, including the family collection of K'ung Hsiang-Hsi and the Feng Wen Tang Collection. Combined with many exquisite treasures, Christie's rewrote the record for the highest ever total achieved for a jewellery auction held in Asia and a handbag auction held worldwide. Many other records were also established, including that of 56 artist records. This included a number of Asian artists who made their auction debuts. The auction week exemplified Asian collectors' unwavering passion for fine art and collectibles," said **Rebecca Wei, President of Christie's Asia.**

TOP LOT OF EACH CATEGORY

FINE AND RARE WINES May 30, Sale 3411 Sale Total: HK\$25.5M/ US\$3.3M		Sale 3411, Lot 5071 Domaine de la Romanée-Conti, Romanée Conti 1988 12 bottles Estimate: HK\$1,100,000-1,600,000 Sold for: HK\$1,225,000 / US\$158,760
ASIAN 20TH CENTURY & CONTEMPORARY ART May 30, Sale 3410 May 31, Sale 3412, 3415 Sale Total: HK\$811.6M/ US\$105.2M		Sale 3410, Lot 13 Sanyu (Chang Yu, Chinese, 1901-1966) <i>Chrysanthemums in a Glass Vase</i> oil on masonite Painted in the 1950s Estimate on request Sold for: HK\$81,880,000 / US\$10,611,648
CHINESE PAINTINGS June 1, Sale 3421, 3423 June 2, Sale 3422, 3425 Sale Total: HK\$808.2M/ US\$104.7M		Sale 3422, Lot 1611 Xu Beihong (1895-1953) <i>Two Condors</i> Hanging scroll, ink and colour on paper Dated 1944 Estimate: HK\$1,800,000-2,600,000 Sold for: HK\$30,360,000 / US\$3,934,656
HANDBAGS & ACCESSORIES June 1, Sale 3418 Sale Total: HK\$46.3M/ US\$6M MOST VALUABLE HANDBAG AUCTION EVER HELD IN THE WORLD		Sale 3418, Lot 3664 An Exceptional Shiny Fuchsia Porosus Crocodile Diamond Birkin 35 With 18k White Gold & Diamond Hardware Hermès, 2014 Estimate: HK\$1,000,000-1,500,000 Sold for: HK\$1,720,000 / US\$222,912
MAGNIFICENT JEWELS June 2, Sale 3428 Sale Total: HK\$909.7M/ US\$117.9M MOST VALUABLE JEWELLERY AUCTION EVER HELD IN ASIA		Sale 3428, Lot 2112 A Burmese ruby and diamond necklace of 120 carats, by Etcetera Estimate: HK\$56,000,000-88,000,000 Sold for: HK\$100,360,000 / US\$13,006,656
IMPORTANT WATCHES June 3, Sale 3429 Sale Total: HK\$132.1M/US\$17.1M		Sale 3429, Lot 2577 Patek Philippe, Ref. 5074. 18k Pink Gold Automatic Minute Repeating Perpetual Calendar Wristwatch. Manufactured 2008. Estimate: HK\$3,200,000-4,800,000 Sold for: HK\$3,640,000 / US\$471,744
CHINESE CERAMICS AND WORKS OF ART June 3, Sale 3432, 3433, 3434, 3435 Sale Total: HK\$488.9M/US\$63.4M		Sale 3433, Lot 3128 A Magnificent and Fine Blue and White 'Dragon' Hu-Shaped Vase Qianlong Six-Character Archaistic Seal Mark and of the Period (1736-1795) Estimate on request Sold for: HK\$56,120,000 / US\$7,273,152

TOP LOT OF IMPORTANT PRIVATE COLLECTIONS

THE FAMILY COLLECTION OF K'UNG HSIANG-HSI

**96% SOLD BY LOT
OVER 5 TIMES ITS PRESALE ESTIMATES
SALE TOTAL: HK\$185.4M / US\$24M**



1 June, Sale 3423

Fine Chinese Classical Paintings and Calligraphy

2 June, Sale 3422

Fine Chinese Modern Paintings



Sale 3422, Lot 1497

Zhang Daqian (1899-1983), *Lotus Pond*, scroll, mounted and framed, ink and colour on paper, 95 x 179.5 cm.

Estimate: HK\$1,500,000- 2,500,000

Sold For: HK\$20,840,000 / US\$2,700,864

2 June, Sale 3428

Hong Kong Magnificent Jewels



Lot 1890

An octagonal-shaped jadeite plaque and diamond ring of 24.8 x 16.7 x 6.8 mm

Estimate: HK\$650,000- 950,000

Sold For: HK\$18,040,000 / US\$2,337,984

3 June, Sale 3433

The Imperial Sale

Important Chinese Ceramics and Works of Art



Lot 3108

A Very Rare Ru-Type Glazed Cong-Form Vase

Qianlong Six-Character Seal Mark In Underglaze Blue And Of The Period (1736-1795)

Estimate: HK\$600,000-800,000

Sold For: HK\$6,040,000 / US\$782,784

THE FENG WEN TANG COLLECTION

**90% SOLD BY LOT
OVER 3 TIMES ITS PRESALE ESTIMATES
SALE TOTAL: HK\$331.4M / US\$42.9M**



2 June, Sale 3425

The Feng Wen Tang Collection of Chinese Paintings



Lot 1239

Qi Baishi (1863-1957), *The Retired Officer*, scroll, mounted and framed, ink and colour on paper, 94 x 50 cm.

Estimate: HK\$4,000,000-6,000,000

Sold For: HK\$23,640,000 / US\$3,063,744

3 June, Sale 3435

The Feng Wen Tang Collection of Bamboo Carvings And Furniture



Lot 2812

A Pair Of Huanghuali Lowback Armchairs, Meiguizi Qing Dynasty, 18th Century

Estimate: HK\$800,000-1,200,000

Sold For: HK\$8,440,000 / US\$1,093,824

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