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# CHRISTIE'S TO PRESENT ANDY WARHOL: BETTER DAYS PHOTOGRAPHS FROM THE ANDY WARHOL FOUNDATION

## An Online-Only Sale to Support the Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts' Effort to Provide Emergency Relief to Artists

Open for bidding from April 28 – May 6 and is now open for browsing here.





**LEFT:** ANDY WARHOL, *Ocean View*, unique polaroid print, Executed circa 1975 **RIGHT:** ANDY WARHOL, *Andy Warhol and Henry Geldzahler*, unique polaroid print mounted on board, Executed circa 1979

"You need to let the little things that would ordinarily bore you, suddenly thrill you." Andy Warhol

**New York** – Christie's is proud to present **Andy Warhol: Better Days**, an online-only sale held in collaboration with the Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts featuring original photography showcasing Warhol's ability to capture the beauty of ordinary life. Proceeds from the sale will support the Foundation's effort to provide emergency relief to artists throughout the US. The sale will be open for bidding from April 28 – May 6 and is now open for browsing **here**.

Featuring 60 unique photographs, the works encompassed here were each chosen for their ability to transport the viewer to better days, underscoring the splendor of the outdoors and the simple pleasures associated with human interaction. The works were carefully selected by Michael Dayton Hermann, Director of Licensing, Marketing and Sales at the Warhol Foundation in coordination with Christie's. Hermann said, "We are delighted to work with Christie's to enhance the Foundation's ability to continue to invest in society when it needs it most. This unique sale focuses on works which celebrate Warhol's uncanny ability to draw attention to the inspiring artistry of ordinary life."

The Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts has embarked on several simultaneous efforts to provide emergency relief to artists during the COVID-19 pandemic. It has mobilized its Regional Re- granting network to make emergency grants in sixteen cities across the country and it has dedicated support to both the Foundation for Contemporary Arts' Emergency Grant COVID-19 Fund and to Artist Relief, a new coalition of national grant makers offering emergency resources to artists in need. These efforts represent a \$2.6 million commitment on the part of the Foundation to address the crisis related needs of the nation's artists. The proceeds from **Andy Warhol: Better Days** will support the Foundation's ongoing efforts to provide emergency support to artists throughout the country.

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#### About the Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts

In accordance with Andy Warhol's will, the mission of The Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts is the advancement of the visual arts. The foundation manages an innovative and flexible grants program while also preserving Warhol's legacy through creative and responsible licensing policies and extensive scholarly research for ongoing catalogue raisonné projects. To date, the foundation has given over \$218 million in cash grants to over 1,000 arts organizations in 49 states and abroad and has donated 52,786 works of art to 322 institutions worldwide.

More information about the foundation is available at warholfoundation.org.

#### **About Christie's**

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