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Christie's Hong Kong 2016 Autumn Sales Total HK\$2.44bn/US\$316m

Innovative and Tightly Curated Sales Enthusiastically Received

Most Significant Selling Exhibition of Major Western Art in Asia

Hong Kong Confirmed as a Global Platform for Asian and Western Masterpieces

Records Achieved for the Most Iconic Artists



Hong Kong – Celebrating Christie's 250th anniversary this year, the Hong Kong Autumn auctions introduced a series of innovative and ground-breaking sales that were well received by international collectors. The season achieved a series of world records for remarkable masterpieces, of which the Asian 20th century and contemporary art department alone set 21 records, including those for iconic artists such as Sanyu, Chu-teh Chun, Lin Fengmian and Atsuko Tanaka.

Rebecca Wei, *President of Christie's Asia*, commented "The week of sales attracted both new and long-standing buyers across price levels, styles, media and periods, testifying to the increasingly cross-category and international tastes of collectors in the region. The Christie's Hong Kong sales room continues to grow into a global epicentre of art and culture, with almost 30,000 visitors recorded during the week long sales".

"We continue our strong commitment to selling and exhibiting international works of art in Asia. Starting with the Picasso exhibition in Beijing, the unveiling of the world's most expensive Monet in Hong Kong and The Loaded Brush special selling exhibition during the Hong Kong Sales week, reaffirmed our commitment to bringing outstanding art to Asia" Wei added.

RESULTS BY CATEGORY



Wine Auctions

25 & 26 November 2016



The highlight of the season was *Domaine de la Romanée-Conti, 1988*, which realised **HK\$1,347,500/ US\$174,491**.

Wines were offered from several distinguished private collections, with strong international bidding and high sale-through rates.

Click for the full results: <u>Fine and Rare Wines: A Gentleman's Collection</u>, <u>Fine and Rare Wines Featuring Exceptional Private Collections</u>

Asian 20th Century & Contemporary Art

26 & 27 November 2016



Top lot of the sale series was <u>*Chrysanthemums In a Glass Vase by</u></u> <u><i>Sanyu*</u>, which realised **HK\$103,580,000/US\$13,412,854.**</u>

21 artists records set, including iconic modern masters such as Chu-teh Chun, Lin Fengmian and Atsuko Tanaka.

Comprehensive offering of contemporary and modern artists as they continue to gain prominence on the world stage, particularly those from Vietnam, Japan, China, the Philippines, Indonesia, Malaysia, and Korea.

Click for the full results: <u>The Pioneers</u>, <u>Asian 20th Century &</u> <u>Contemporary Art (Evening Sale)</u>, <u>Asian Contemporary Art (Day Sale)</u>, <u>Asian 20th Century Art (Day Sale)</u> Important Watches

28 November 2016



Top lot of the season was an <u>extremely fine and possibly unique</u> <u>pendule à cercle tournant mantel clock, 1990's, by Cartier,</u> which realised **HK\$5,820,000/US\$\$753,648**

The sale also celebrated the 40th anniversary of the Patek Philippe Nautilus, with 10 such examples offered in the Hong Kong sales.

Click for the full results: Important Watches including Nautilus 40 Part III

Chinese Paintings

28 & 29 November 2016



The top lot for of the season was <u>Landscapes and Flowers by</u> <u>Bada Shanren</u>, which realised **HK\$39,740,000 / US\$ 5,146,040**.

Almost half of all lots exceeded high estimates.

Click for the full results: <u>Chinese Contemporary Ink</u>, <u>Fine Chinese</u> <u>Classical Paintings and Calligraphy</u>, <u>Fine Chinese Modern Paintings</u>

Chinese Works of Art

30 November 2016



The top lot for of the sale season was a <u>Painted Anhua- Decorated</u> <u>Blue and White 'Dragon'' Stem Bowl</u> which realised **HK\$68,860,000 / US\$ 8,917,900**.

This season also featured the sale of <u>Chinese Ceramics from the</u> <u>Yangdetang Collection</u>, offering works of renowned provenance.

A combined 34% of lots in both sales exceeded their high estimate.

Click for the full results: <u>Chinese Ceramics From The Yangdetang</u> <u>Collection, Important Chinese Ceramics and Works of Art</u>

Magnificent Jewels

29 November 2016



The highlight this season was <u>*The Ratnaraj, a 10.05 ct rare Burmese ruby,*</u> which fetched HK\$ **78,940,000/US\$10,226,448**, setting the third highest price per carat of US\$ 1,017.557 for a ruby.

The sale was led by a Moussaieff blue diamond ring which achieved US\$2.7m per carat.

The sale attracted 149 buyers from 23 countries across 4 continents.

Click for the full results: Hong Kong Magnificent Jewels

Handbags & Accessories

30 November 2016



The top lot for of the sale was a <u>One-of-a – Kind Set of 8 Leather</u> <u>Forever Star Bags</u> which realised **HK\$2,460,000/US\$318,589**, setting a new world record for a collection of miniature handbags by Hermès.

An additional highlight was a one-of-a-kind Passe-Guide Star Bag, which was previously showcased in the "Leather Forever" exhibition, which realised **HK\$500,000/US\$64,754**.

Click for the full results: Handbags & Accessories

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About Christie's

Christie's, the world's leading art business, had global auction, private and digital sales in the first half of 2016 that totalled £2.1 billion / \$3 billion. Christie's is a name and place that speaks of extraordinary art, unparalleled service and expertise, as well as international glamour. Christie's offers around 350 auctions annually in over 80 categories, including all areas of fine and decorative arts, jewellery, photographs, collectibles, wine, and more. Prices range from \$200 to over \$100 million. Christie's also has a long and successful history conducting private sales for its clients in all categories, with emphasis on Post-War & Contemporary, Impressionist & Modern, Old Masters and Jewellery.

2016 marks Christie's 250th anniversary. Founded in 1766 by James Christie, Christie's has since conducted the greatest and most celebrated auctions through the centuries providing a popular showcase for the unique and the beautiful. Click <u>HERE</u> to view a short film about Christie's and the 250th anniversary.

Christie's has a global presence in 46 countries, with 12 salerooms around the world including in London, New York, Paris, Geneva, Milan, Amsterdam, Dubai, Zürich, Hong Kong, Shanghai, and Mumbai. Christie's has led the market with expanded initiatives in growth markets such as Russia, China, India and the United Arab Emirates, with successful sales and exhibitions in Beijing, Mumbai and Dubai.

*Estimates do not include buyer's premium. Sales totals are hammer price plus buyer's premium and are reported net of applicable fees.

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