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CHRISTIE'S PRESENTS: HANDBAGS & ACCESSORIES 12 JUNE, LONDON

PUBLIC EXHIBITIONS: LONDON, 7 -12 JUNE 2018



HERMÈS, 1996, executed in 2009
A RARE AND UNIQUE PAINTED WHITE & RED ARDENNES LEATHER NASA RETOURNE KELLY 35 WITH GOLD HARDWARE
BY TOM SACHS
Estimate: £20,000-30,000

London – Following the success of the inaugural *Handbags & Accessories* auction in June 2017, Christie's is pleased to indulge handbag enthusiasts once again.

On **12 June 2018**, Christie's will present a selection of exquisite pieces in their *Handbags & Accessories* Sale at the London, King Street headquarters. From the exotic and precious to vintage varieties and sought after limited editions there is something for every type of buyer.

A collection of iconic artist collaboration handbags will also be offered from famed masters including: Tom Sachs. A highlight of the sale will be a 2008 Hermès, Matte Himalaya Niloticus Crocodile Birkin 30 with 18k White Gold & Diamond Hardware.

Matthew Rubinger, International Director, Handbags & Accessories at Christie's states, '*The Himalaya Birkin with White Gold and Diamond Hardware is the undisputed most valuable bag in the world. We are delighted to offer this exceptional piece at auction in Europe for the first time.*'

Rachel Koffsky, Specialist Handbags & Accessories at Christie's says, *Following a successful 2017, we are pleased to be offering the Handbags & Accessories sale in London once again this year. A key market, London is uniquely positioned to cater to our international clientele and collector base. The curated sale will offer a wide-range of exceptional pieces, adapting to clients' needs of seeking the unusual rarities. For the first time, we are offering a one-of-a-kind Kelly customised by artist Tom Sachs, a true wearable work of art and indicative of the direction in which this category is heading.'*

An exhibition will take place from the 7 to 12 June, which will invite the public to see vintage rarities in pristine condition, limited edition and discontinued iterations of highly collectible models, and a number of exceptional pieces with precious 18k gold and diamond hardware.

The full auction will feature a vast selection of handbags and accessories from Hermès, Chanel and Louis Vuitton.

What: Christie's Handbags & Accessories Sale – London

Where: Christie's, 8 King Street, St. James's, London SW1Y 6QT

Exhibition: 7-12 June 2018

Sale: 12 June 2018, 2pm



HERMÈS, 2008
A MATTE HIMALAYA NILOTICUS
CROCODILE BIRKIN 30
WITH 18K WHITE GOLD &
DIAMOND HARDWARE
Estimate: £100,000-150,000



HERMÈS, 2010S
AN OMBRÉ SALVATOR LIZARD
BIRKIN 25 WITH PALLADIUM
HARDWARE
Estimate: £15,000-20,000



HERMÈS, 1989
A WHITE OSTRICH, FICELLE
LIZARD & VIOLET VEAU DOBLIS
HIMALAYA SYMBIOSE 43 WITH
GOLD HARDWARE
Estimate: £3,000-4,000

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