

CHRISTIE'S SPRING SEASON OF AMERICAN ART TOTALS \$141,650,875

Art of The Americas, Evening Sale: The Collection of Peggy and David Rockefeller: \$106,883,500 American Art: \$32,843,500 American Art Online Auction: \$1,923,875



GEORGIA O'KEEFFE (1887-1986) *Hibiscus* oil on canvas Painted in 1939. Price Realized: \$4,812,500

New York – Christie's American Art sale on May 22 realized \$32,843,500, with 82% sold by lot and 91% sold by value and the American Art Online Auction totaled \$1,923,875, with 77% sold by lot and 100% sold by value. Together with the Art of the Americas, Evening Sale from The Collection of Peggy and David Rockefeller, the spring season of American Art totals \$141,650,875.

The top lot of the May 22 sale was Georgia O'Keeffe's seminal work, *Hibiscus*, painted in 1939 during her threemonth Hawaiian sojourn at the behest of the Hawaiian Pineapple Company, which realized \$4,812,500.Other notable lots include Milton Avery's *Red Nude* which sold for \$3,012,500, more than double its high estimate, Norman Rockwell's *Piano Tuner*, which sold for \$2,772,500, and Childe Hassam's *Conversation on the Avenue* which brought in \$2,412,500. The top lot of the American Art Online Auction was Thomas Hill's *Yosemite Valley*, which sold for \$93,750, above the high estimate of \$50,000.

New World Auction Records were set during the May 22 sale for John Kane, Douglass Crockwell, and the record for Charles Ephraim Burchfield was reset just 2 weeks after being established in the Art of the Americas, Evening Sale from The Collection of Peggy and David Rockefeller. The Art of the Americas, Evening sale on May 9 also established records for Graves, Hirsch, Porter, Rivera, Sheeler, and Stuart.

NEW WORLD AUCTION RECORDS



John Kane (1860-1934) Scots' Day at Kennywood oil on canvas Painted circa 1931. Price Realized: \$187,500



Douglass Crockwell (1904-1968) Machinists oil on canvas Painted in 1932. Price Realized: \$106,250



Charles Burchfield (1893-1967) Cherry Blossom Snow watercolor, gouache and charcoal on joined paper laid down on board Executed circa 1917-45. Price Realized: \$1,812,500

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