

CHRISTIE'S

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CHRISTIE'S HONG KONG EVENING SALES

Achieves HK\$910,255,000 / US\$116,494,254

Strong Sell Through Rate of 91%

Over 42% of Lots sold Above High Estimate

***7 Artist World Auction Records Including Yoshitomo Nara and Jia Aili**



ZAO WOU-KI (ZHAO WUJI, FRANCE / CHINA, 1920-2013)

Triptyque 1987-1988

oil on canvas (triptych)

Overall: 200 x 486 cm. (78 3/4 x 191 3/8 in.)

Painted in 1987-1988

Price realized: HK\$178,000,000 / US\$22,780,405

Hong Kong – On 25th May, Christie's held two evening sales – **20th Century & Contemporary Art** and **Iconoclast**, totalling **HK\$910,255,000 / US\$116,494,254** with a combined **91%** sold by lot.

The top lot of the sale was **Zao Wou-Ki's, *Triptyque 1987-1988***, which sold for **HK\$178,000,000 / US\$22,780,405**.

Eric Chang, Chairman, Asian 20th Century & Contemporary Art commented, "Tonight's results are an extension of the continuing strong buying momentum from New York 20th Century Week where Asian buying accounted for 25% of the evening sale total. Our sales this evening saw strong prices achieved for several iconic artists, setting a string of important records, while the innovative and fresh approach to curation reached a new collector audience. This evening's total stands as one of the highest ever achieved and reaffirms the global buying habits of our collectors as they pursue top quality works from international artists."

*Records Achieved:

DAVID DIAO, *Twin Dragons*, Price realised HK\$1,250,000/US\$159,975

YOSHITOMO NARA, *Sleepless Night (Cat)*, Price realised HK\$34,925,000/US\$4,469,695

CHU WEI-BOR, *Eminence*, Price realised HK\$812,500/US\$103,984

JIA AILI, *The Wasteland*, Price realised HK\$18,125,000/US\$2,319,634

HUANG YUXING, *Ebb and Flow*, Price realised HK\$2,250,000/US\$287,955

LIANG YUANWEI, *Untitled 2013.17*, Price realised HK\$5,165,000/US\$661,016

YAYOI KUSAMA, *Pumpkin*, Price realised HK\$14,525,000/US\$1,858,907 – **Record price for a Kusama Sculpture**

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