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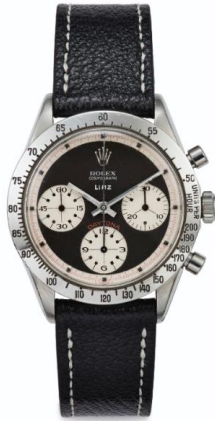
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CHRISTIE'S WATCHES NEW YORK: *AN EVENING OF EXCEPTIONAL WATCHES*

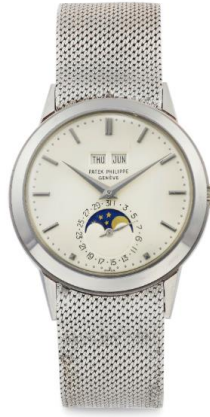
LIVE AUCTION: Thursday, June 6, 2019
ONLINE AUCTION: June 11 – June 25, 2019



PATEK PHILIPPE
An Extremely Fine 18k Pink Gold
Wristwatch with Center Seconds and
Polychrome Cloisonné Enamel
"Tropical Oasis" Dial
Ref. 2481, Manufactured in 1950
Estimate: \$600,000 - 800,000



ROLEX
An Exceptionally Rare and
Attractive Stainless Steel
Chronograph Wristwatch
"Paul Newman" Dial, Retailled by
Linz Brothers, Dallas, 1968
Ref. 6239, Circa 1968
Estimate: \$300,000 - 500,000



PATEK PHILIPPE
A Very Fine and Exceptionally Rare
18k White Gold Automatic
Perpetual Calendar Wristwatch
with Moon Phases and Bracelet
Ref. 3448, Manufactured in 1969
Estimate: \$300,000 - 500,000



VACHERON CONSTANTIN
An Extremely Fine and Rare 18k
Gold Minute Repeating Wristwatch
with Two-Tone Dial
Ref. 4261, Manufactured in 1954
Estimate: \$300,000 - 500,000

New York – Christie's New York announces *An Evening of Exceptional Watches* on Thursday, June 6th. The auction offers a carefully curated selection of 100 distinct lots of wristwatches and pocket watches, notable for their extreme rarity, highlighted provenance, and exceptional condition. Highlights include modern, vintage and sport watches from Patek Philippe, Rolex, Vacheron Constantin, A. Lange & Söhne, Breguet and more.

The top lot of the sale is the first known **Patek Philippe reference 2481 with polychrome cloisonné enamel dial of the "Tropical Oasis" theme** (\$600,000-800,000). Reference 2481, with its 37mm case diameter, was nicknamed "King Size," as it is one of the largest vintage Patek Philippe ever produced. Manufactured in 1950, the movement number as well as the serial number offer clear indications that the present watch is the first of its kind. There are only six examples of Ref. 2481 with a combination of rose gold and cloisonné jungle dial known.

Additionally, on offer is a very rare **Rolex Daytona with "Paul Newman" dial, retailled by Linz Brothers, Dallas, 1968** (\$300,000-500,000). A highly important discovery in the world of vintage Rolex, this example can be considered one of the rarest Daytona's to ever come to market. *Joseph Linz & Brothers* opened in 1877 and have since maintained an impressive store in Dallas, Texas. Despite being one of the biggest retailers for Rolex in North America at the time, an extremely small number of watches with the 'LINZ' signature have ever come to market.

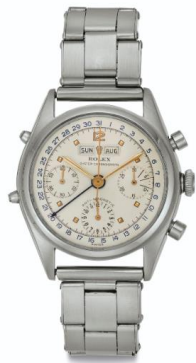
Other highlights include a **Patek Philippe reference 3448 in white gold with bracelet** (\$300,000-500,000); a **Patek Philippe reference 1463 stainless steel chronograph wristwatch with bracelet, retailled by Gübelin**, (\$350,000-550,000); a **Vacheron Constantin reference 4261 in 18k gold** (\$300,000-500,000); and two historically important watches formerly owned by **Joe DiMaggio** including a **Bulova stainless steel chronograph with black dial** (\$25,000-50,000), which was used during his voluntary service in the U.S. Military in WWII. Rounding out the sale is a selection of rare ladies' watches including a **Piaget gold and lapis lazuli bracelet watch**, (\$40,000-60,000) and a rare and attractive **LeCoultre 14k white gold bracelet watch** (\$8,000-12,000).

Taking place concurrently is the **Christie's Watches Online: Travel with Time** (June 11-25), which presents 236 watches ranging from vintage to contemporary timepieces. Further highlights and details are included below. Public preview of both sales includes a full exhibition at **Christie's 20 Rockefeller Center Galleries** from Friday, May 31 to Wednesday, June 5th.

Highlights from An Evening of Exceptional Watches, Thursday, June 6 | Christie's New York



PATEK PHILIPPE
An Extremely Fine, Rare and Attractive Stainless Steel Chronograph Wristwatch with Bracelet
Ref. 1463, Manufactured in 1958
Estimate: \$350,000 - 550,000



ROLEX
A Very Fine and Rare Stainless Steel Triple Calendar Chronograph Wristwatch with Bracelet
Ref. 4767, Circa 1947
Estimate: \$250,000 - 450,000



A. LANGE & SÖHNE
An Extremely Fine, Rare and Impressive Limited Edition Platinum Split Seconds Chronograph Tourbillon Wristwatch with Power Reserve Indication and Chain Fusée
Ref. 702.025F, Circa 2008
Estimate: \$250,000 - 450,000



BREGUET
A Very Fine, Rare and Large 18k Pink Gold Double Tourbillon Wristwatch with 12-Hour Rotating Dial
Ref. 5347, Circa 2008
Estimate: \$200,000 - 400,000



PIAGET
A Very Rare 18k Gold and Lapis Lazuli Bracelet Watch
Manufactured in 1970
Estimate: \$40,000 - 60,000



TUDOR
A Very Fine and Extremely Rare Stainless Steel Wristwatch with Center Seconds
Ref. 7923, Circa 1956
Estimate: \$100,000 - 150,000



PATEK PHILIPPE
A Fine and Rare 18k White Gold Rectangular Tourbillon Wristwatch with 10 Day Power Reserve
Ref. 5101G, Manufactured in 2011
Estimate: \$120,000 - 180,000



BULOVA
A Fine Stainless Steel Chronograph Wristwatch with Black Dial, Formerly Belonging to American Major League Baseball Legend Joe DiMaggio, Circa 1944
Estimate: \$25,000 - 50,000

Highlights from Christie's Watches Online: Travel with Time, June 11 - 25 | Christie's New York



PATEK PHILIPPE
Steel Anti-Magnetic
Ref. 3417
Estimate: \$20,000-40,000



ROLEX
Ceramic Daytona
Ref. 116500LN
Estimate: \$15,000-25,000



OMEGA
Speedmaster
Ref. 105.002
Estimate: \$10,000-15,000



AUDEMARS PIGUET
Royal Oak 'Jumbo' Extra-thin
Ref. 15202ST.00.0944ST.03
Estimate: \$22,000-30,000

NEW YORK, ROCKEFELLER CENTER PUBLIC VIEWING TIMES:

- Friday, 31 May – Wednesday, 5 June: 10AM – 5PM (Sunday, 1pm to 5pm)

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Public Exhibition:

Friday, 31 May: 10AM-5PM
Saturday, 1 June: 10AM-5PM
Sunday, 2 June: 1PM-5PM
Monday, 3 June: 10AM-5PM
Tuesday, 4 June: 10AM-5PM
Wednesday, 5 June: 10AM-5PM

Auction:

An Evening of Exceptional Watches
6 June 2019
6pm

Christie's Watches Online: Travel with Time
11 to 25 June 2019

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