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THE MARIE CURIE GREAT SUMMER ART AUCTION IN ASSOCIATION WITH CHRISTIE'S

ONLINE FROM 26 AUGUST TO 16 SEPTEMBER 2020



Paul Rafferty, Life Guard – Cannes (2018, estimate: £1,500-2,500)

London - The Marie Curie Great Summer Art Auction in association with Christie's opens online for bidding at www.christies.com/mariecurie on Wednesday 26th August and runs until Wednesday 16th September 2020. The sale features over 30 pieces of donated artworks that were originally gathered for auction at a live event at the Royal Academy earlier this summer which subsequently had to be postponed. Participating artists include Professor Ken Howard OBE RA RWS NEAC, Dr Barbara Rae RA and Sir Hugh Casson CH PRA KCVO. Marie Curie was selected by employees as the Christie's UK Charity of the Year 2020, and funds raised via this platform will be going to support the great work the organisation does.







Professor Ken Howard OBE RA RWS NEAC, Christmas Daffodils (2013, estimate: £2,600-4,500)

Tania Still, On the Line (2020, estimate: £4,000-6,000)

Darren Baker, A Curie for Cancer (2020, estimate: £6,500-8,500)

Thea Macdonald, Sale Coordinator, Christie's: "We're delighted to have been in a position to offer Marie Curie a digital platform to offer these works, and we look forward to supporting our UK Charity of the Year to raise vital funds which will aid the valuable care and support through terminal illness the charity provides."

Susan Boissier, Head of Special Events, Marie Curie: "The ongoing crisis with coronavirus has had an impact on each of us, and the postponement of many of our special events which raise valuable funds has meant a considerable loss of income to Marie Curie. This included our annual Private View of the Summer Exhibition at the Royal Academy, where we host a live auction of artworks donated by leading artists. However we are thrilled to welcome Christie's generous support and thank them for their kind offer to host our Great Summer Art Auction online instead.

Visit www.christies.com/mariecurie for your chance to own a treasured piece of artwork from a diverse selection of donated pieces. Our special thanks also to the wonderful artists who have very kindly donated their work to this auction. Funds raised will provide free expert care to people living with any terminal illness, as well as emotional support for their loved ones.

Just at the time our hospices, community nursing services, and support line are needed more than ever as part of the national coronavirus response, our income has been decimated. In people's homes and in Marie Curie's hospices, the charity is caring for people with terminal illnesses, as well as people with Covid-19. However, as the charity has stepped up its support for the nation, its fundraising income has been devastated by the impact of the coronavirus.

We are delighted to launch this exclusive online art auction in association with Christie's. Together, we can continue to raise funds to support Marie Curie Nurses and hospice staff who are on the front lines providing vital care when it is needed the most."

Artists featured include Guy Allen, Darren Baker, Diana Bourne-Arton, Tim Bulmer, Sir Hugh Casson CH PRA KCVO, Simon Chalmers MA, Sophie M Cook, Haydn Cottam, Phoebe Cripps, Hugh Fairfax, Jeanette Hayes PPS, Dora Bertolutti Howard, Professor Ken Howard OBE RA RWS NEAC, Nicky Leigh, Radu Leon, Mollie Lord MB ChB hons DCH, Annabel Menheneott, Connor McIntyre, Professor Chris Orr MBE RA, Moira Purver SWA, Dr Barbara Rae CBE RA RSA RE, Paul Rafferty, Hildegarde Reid, Carolina Rubio-Bowater, Laura Stadtegger, Joan Steel, Tania Still, Piran Strange, Alice Timmis MA RCA, Penelope Timmis SWA ARBSA RSA, Laura Wallace and Roger Zogolovitch RIBA AA Dip.

Bidding for The Marie Curie Great Summer Art Auction in association Christie's opens at www.christies.com/mariecurie on Wednesday 26th August and runs until Wednesday 16th September 2020. A Viewing Room showcasing highlights is available here.

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