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CHRISTIE'S POST-WAR AND CONTEMPORARY SALE WEEK KICKS OFF WITH POST-WAR TO PRESENT | \$23,087,875

123% HAMMER OVER LOW ESTIMATE
FOUR NEW ARTIST RECORDS



KEITH HARING (1958-1990), *Untitled*, vinyl paint on vinyl tarpaulin with metal grommets, Painted in 1983.
Price Realized: \$3,000,000

New York – Christie's kicked off the week of Post-War and Contemporary Art Sales in New York with a live **Post-War to Present** auction, which totaled \$23,087,875, selling 86% by lot, 92% by value and 123% hammer over low estimate. The top lot of the sale was Keith Haring's *Untitled*, which achieved \$3,000,000, followed by Matthew Wong's *Luminous Night*, which achieved \$2,190,000, more than double its high estimate. The sale saw four new artist records set for Derrick Adams, Elaine de Kooning, Lucas Samaras and Jammie Holmes. Exceptional prices were also achieved by Emily Mae Smith, Salman Toor, Henry Taylor and Ruth Asawa among others. Please find full details below.

The week continues with the following sales:

- *Contemporary Edition* | LIVE | March 10
- *First Open* | ONLINE | Closes March 11
- *Beeple* | *The First 5000 Days* | ONLINE | Closes March 11
- *Contemporary Art Asia* | ONLINE | Closes March 12
- *ABOUDIA* | *Noutchy in New York City* | ONLINE | Closes March 12

ARTIST RECORDS



DERRICK ADAMS (B. 1970)

Figure in the Urban Landscape 31

acrylic, graphite, ink, fabric on paper, grip tape and model cars on wood panel

Executed in 2019.

Estimate: \$100,000-150,000

Price Realized: \$250,000



ELAINE DE KOONING (1919-1989)

Red Bison/Blue Horse

oil and charcoal on canvas

Painted in 1985-1986.

Estimate: \$250,000 - 350,000

Price Realized: \$562,500



JAMMIE HOLMES (B. 1984)

This Week's Last Supper

acrylic and oil pastel on canvas

Executed in 2020.

Estimate: \$40,000-60,000

Price Realized: \$137,500



LUCAS SAMARAS (B. 1936)

Box #119

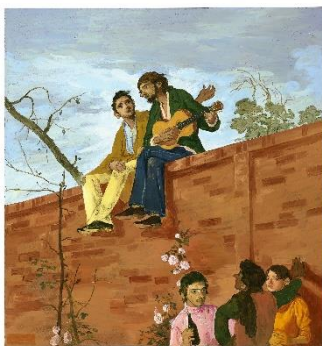
wood box construction—rhinestones, beads, yarn, marbles, wire, nails, pins, plastic, fabric, paint, printed paper and photographic collage

Executed in 1987

Estimate: \$200,000 - 300,000

Price Realized: \$662,500

NOTABLE RESULTS FROM POST-WAR TO PRESENT



EMILY MAE SMITH (B. 1979)

Profane Interloper
oil on linen
48 x 37 in.
Painted in 2021.
Estimate: \$50,000-70,000
Price Realized: \$350,000

**SALMAN TOOR (B. 1983)**

The Singers
oil on canvas
35 x 33 in.
Painted in 2019.
Estimate: \$100,000-150,000
Price Realized: \$612,500

**MATTHEW WONG (1984-2019)**

Luminous Night
oil on canvas
72 x 48 in.
Painted in 2017.
Estimate: \$600,000-800,000
Price Realized: \$2,190,000

**RUTH ASAWA (1926-2013)**

Untitled (S. 846, Freestanding Tied-Wire, Closed Center, Six-Branched Tree Form)
galvanized steel wire and steel mount on redwood base
sculpture: 30 x 39 x 40 in.
overall: 36 x 39 x 40 in.
Executed in 1963.
Estimate: \$250,000-350,000
Price Realized: \$966,000

FRANZ WEST (1947-2012)

Onkel-Stuhl (Uncle Chair) [Fourteen Works]
woven synthetic textile over steel tubular frame
each: 33 1/8 x 20 x 20 1/8 in.
Executed in 2001-2009.
Estimate: \$100,000-150,000
Price Realized: \$525,000

MATTHEW WONG (1984-2019)

Country Road at the Break of Dawn
acrylic on canvas
15 7/8 x 12 in.
Painted in 2016.
Estimate: \$40,000-60,000
Price Realized: \$537,500

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