# CHRISTIE'S

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# CHRISTIE'S REDESIGNS DECORATIVE ARTS: NEW PROGRAM OF EVENTS AND SALES LAUNCHING AUTUMN 2017

- INTRODUCTION OF 'THE COLLECTOR' SALES
  - RE-LAUNCH OF INTERIORS SALES
- 'CHRISTIE'S LATES' EVENTS INTRODUCED IN NEW YORK ROCKEFELLER CENTER AND LONDON KING STREET



THE
COLLECTOR
English and European Furniture,
Works of Art & Ceramics & Silver
18 October, New York



French and English Furniture from a Distinguished Collection 24 October, New York



THE
COLLECTOR

19th Century Furniture, Sculpture,
Works of Art, Ceramics & Silver
17 October, New York

**New York/ London –** Christie's announces a new sales strategy commencing in Autumn 2017 to align its global decorative arts sales calendar with key industry fairs, and to introduce a program of engaging, international public events called <a href="Christie's Lates">Christie's Lates</a>. The new decorative arts calendar features curated sales targeting a wide range of buyers; <a href="The Exceptional Sale">The Exceptional Sale</a>, presenting museum quality pieces; <a href="The Collector sales">The Collector sales</a>, offering a curated selection of objects and furniture for connoisseurs; <a href="Interiors">Interiors</a> sales, featuring contemporary and classic pieces for the home; and <a href="Private Collection">Private Collection</a> sales, selling property from the homes of important collectors.

# CHRISTIE'S LATES

<u>Christie's Lates</u> welcomes collectors and enthusiasts of all ages and interests who enjoy engaging with art. The events are free and open to the public with special programming during the auction previews. The popular concept of *Christie's Lates* will launch at Christie's London, 8 King Street, beginning with a 25 September event for the Collection of Audrey Hepburn. New York's Rockefeller Center Galleries will host its inaugural *Christie's Late* on 13 October alongside its series of sales and will partner with de Gournay, the bespoke artisan wallpaper and fabric firm, to transform the auction galleries.

Orlando Rock, Co-Chairman, Decorative Arts, UK commented: "Throughout our history, Christie's has welcomed collectors who are interested in each and every field of collecting and specialisation. It is their sense of adventure, passion, knowledge, eclecticism and enthusiasm that underpins every great collection and it is as true today as it was in the past. Thankfully, the past informs the future and unique objects from different era and cultures are arguably even more engaging and relevant in a world that is so transient. Christie's will always remain firmly committed to showcasing the best of decorative arts, from ancient to modern."

Jody Wilkie, Co-Chairman, Decorative Arts, New York, remarks: "We are excited to present a streamlined sales calendar well suited to match the needs of our global collecting audience. This innovative series of sales reflects the passion of our clients for collecting beautiful objects at all levels of the market."

New York will hold the first series of the new sales platform in October, preceding the TEFAF fair week – with THE COLLECTOR: 19th Century Furniture, Sculpture, Works of Art, Ceramics & Silver on 17 October and THE COLLECTOR: English & European Furniture, Works of Art & Ceramics & Silver on 18 October, followed by French & English Furniture from a Distinguished Private Collection on 24 October.

### DECORATIVE ARTS SALES CALENDAR

#### **New York**

17 October THE COLLECTOR: 19th Century Furniture, Sculpture, Works of Art, Ceramics & Silver
18 October THE COLLECTOR: English & European Furniture, Works of Art & Ceramics & Silver

24 October French & English Furniture from a Distinguished Private Collection

#### London

15 November THE COLLECTOR: European Furniture, Works of Art & Ceramics

15 November THE COLLECTOR: Silver & 19th Century Furniture, Sculpture & Works of Art

15 November THE COLLECTOR: English Furniture & Works of Art

16 November THE COLLECTOR: Lalique

#### **Paris**

20 November Design Evening Sale20 November Hommage à Jean Royère

28 November Exceptional Sale

28 November Collection Aristocratique Européenne 29 November THE COLLECTOR: Le Goût Français

#### Notes to Editors:

- Interiors sales will be held in New York and London 4 times a year
- The Collector will take place in London, New York and Paris twice a year
- The Exceptional Sale will be held annually in New York, London and Paris

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## **About Christie's**

Christie's, the world's leading art business, had global auction, private and digital sales in first half of 2017 that totalled £2.35 billion. Christie's is a name and place that speaks of extraordinary art, unparalleled service and expertise, as well as international glamour. Christie's offers around 350 auctions annually in over 80 categories, including all areas of fine and decorative arts, jewellery, photographs, collectibles, wine, and more. Prices range from \$200 to over \$100 million. Christie's also has a long and successful history conducting private sales for its clients in all categories, with emphasis on Post-War & Contemporary, Impressionist & Modern, Old Masters and Jewellery.

Alongside regular sales online, Christie's has a global presence in 46 countries, with 10 salerooms around the world including in London, New York, Paris, Geneva, Milan, Amsterdam, Dubai, Zürich, Hong Kong, and Shanghai.

\*Please note when quoting estimates above that other fees will apply in addition to the hammer price - see Section D of the Conditions of Sale at the back of the sale catalogue.

\*Estimates do not include buyer's premium. Sales totals are hammer price plus buyer's premium and are reported net of applicable fees.

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