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Henri Cartier-Bresson leads Phillips' Paris Auction *Impressions Parisiennes: Une Collection de Photographies*

Paris, 30 November 2023

Sale Total: €230,505 / £199,225 / \$251,988

Lots Sold: 46 | Lots Offered: 66

Sold by Lot: 70% | Sold by Value: 70%



Vanessa Hallett, Deputy Chairwoman, Americas and Worldwide Head of Photographs, Phillips, said, "It was a pleasure to welcome bidders into our Paris auction room for the first time with this captivating selection of photographs, meticulously curated by a discerning collector to capture the unique spirit of Paris. Paying homage to some of the trailblazers of 20th century photography, the sale featured works by Henri Cartier-Bresson, William Klein, and Lillian Bassman, which ignited interest among bidders spanning 20 countries. Since the inception of photography, Paris has remained an epicentre for the art form, and we were delighted to have had the opportunity to exhibit, offer and sell this exquisite collection right here in the heart of the city of light."

Top Ten Lots

Lot	Description	Estimate	Price Achieved
1	Henri Cartier-Bresson, <i>Rue Mouffetard, Paris</i> , 1954	€20,000 - 30,000	€21,590 £18,660/\$23,602
2	Henri Cartier-Bresson, <i>Derrière la Gare Saint-Lazare, Paris</i> , 1932	€15,000 - 25,000	€ 19,050 £16,465/\$20,825

5	Henri Cartier-Bresson, <i>Île de la Cité, Paris, 1952</i>	€8,000 - 12,000	€13,970 £12,074/\$15,272
4	Henri Cartier-Bresson, <i>Dimanche sur les Bords de la Marne, Paris, 1938</i>	€8,000 - 12,000	€8,890 £7,684/\$9,719
26	William Klein, <i>Gainsbourg, couverture de l'album "Love on the Beat", 1984</i>	€3,000 - 5,000	€8,128 £7,025/\$8,886
35	Lillian Bassman, <i>Fantasy On The Dance Floor: Barbara Mullen in a Christian Dior Dress, Paris, Harper's Bazaar, 1949</i>	€7,000 - 9,000	€7,620 £6,586/\$8,330
33	Lillian Bassman, <i>Across the Restaurant, Barbara Mullen, dress by Jacques Fath, Le Grand Véfour, Paris, 1949</i>	€7,000 - 9,000	€7,620 £6,586/\$8,330
13	William Klein, <i>Dorothy + Little Bara, Paris, 1960</i>	€5,000 - 7,000	€6,350 £5,488/\$6,942
11	Robert Doisneau, <i>Le Baiser Blotto, 1950</i>	€4,000 - 6,000	€6,096 £5,269/\$6,664
36	Lillian Bassman, <i>Paris Gala Night: Barbara Mullen in a Dress by Patou, Harper's Bazaar, Paris, 1949</i>	€4,000 - 6,000	€5,715 £4,939/\$6,248

New Auction Records

Lot	Description	Estimate	Price Achieved
20	Raymond Cauchetier, <i>Belmondo et Seberg, Champs-Élysées, 1959</i> <i>*previous record price: 1,803 EUR set in 2015</i>	€2,000 - 3,000	€2,540 £2,195/\$2,777
54	Dorothy Bohm, <i>Jardin des Tuileries, Paris, 1953</i> <i>*previous record price: 682 GBP set in 2015</i>	€2,000 - 3,000	€2,540 £2,195/\$2,777

*Lots 2, 32, 44 and 51 were sold after the lot closed, whilst the sale was ongoing and is therefore included in the total sale result.

Exchange Rate on 30 November 2023: EUR€1 = £0.8643, \$1.0932

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*Estimates do not include buyer's premium; prices achieved include the hammer price plus buyer's premium.

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