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## Phillips' 20th Century & Contemporary Art Evening Sale Achieves World Auction Records for Kehinde Wiley and Jesse Mockrin and a Sale Total of £13.7 Million

London, 7 March 2024

Sale Total: £13,689,650 / \$17,467,993 / €16,029,211

Lots Sold: 23 | Lots Offered: 26

Sold by Lot: 88% | Sold by Value: 89%



Olivia Thornton, Phillips' Head of 20th Century & Contemporary Art, Europe, said, "We are proud of this result, falling comfortably within estimate, and setting world auction records for Kehinde Wiley and Jesse Mockrin. Andy Warhol's *Portrait of Princess Diana* commanded the spotlight, selling after a four-minute bidding war for the highest price achieved for a Princess Diana work by the artist. The auction opened with the debut of Alia Ahmad, a Saudi Arabian artist working in the tradition of Abstract Expressionism, whose work sold for five times its low estimate. Bidding activity transcended borders, with participants from 31 countries driving spirited bidding in the room, over the phones and online. We eagerly anticipate our forthcoming auction in New York this May."

### Top Ten Lots

Lot	Description	Estimate	Price Achieved
12	Andy Warhol, <i>Portrait of Princess Diana</i> , 1982	£1,200,000 - 1,800,000	£2,407,500 \$3,071,970/€2,818,942

8	Yayoi Kusama, <i>INFINITY-NETS (ZXSSAO)</i> , 2008	£1,800,000 - 2,500,000	£2,105,000 \$2,685,980/€2,464,745
5	Cecily Brown, <i>Luck Just Kissed You Hello</i> , 2013	£1,500,000 - 2,000,000	£1,500,000 \$1,914,000/€1,756,350
9	Anselm Kiefer, <i>Ich Bin, Der Ich Bin</i> , 2008	£550,000 - 750,000	£990,600 \$1,264,006/€1,159,894
10	Sigmar Polke, <i>Silberner Zwilling</i> , 1975	£800,000 - 1,200,000	£762,000 \$972,312/€892,226
16	Kehinde Wiley, <i>Christian Martyr Tarcisius</i> , 2008 <a href="#">WORLD AUCTION RECORD</a>	£200,000 - 300,000	£660,400 \$842,670/€773,262
7	Frank Auerbach, <i>J.Y.M. Seated in the Studio II</i> , 1987-1988	£600,000 - 800,000	£635,000 \$810,260/€743,522
28	Damien Hirst, <i>Cupric Nitrate</i> , 2007	£500,000 - 700,000	£571,500 \$729,234/€669,169
24	Francis Picabia, <i>Untitled (Femme et Fleurs)</i> , circa 1942-1943	£400,000 - 600,000	£533,400 \$680,618/€624,558
25	Jean Dubuffet, <i>Buste aux envols</i> , 13 May 1972	£400,000 - 600,000	£444,500 \$567,182/€520,465

## New Auction Records

Lot	Description	Estimate	Price Achieved
6	Jesse Mockrin, <i>A Cymbal Crashed and Roaring Horns</i> , 2017 <i>*previous record price: 113,400 USD set in 2023</i>	£60,000 - 80,000	£120,650 \$153,949/€141,269
16	Kehinde Wiley, <i>Christian Martyr Tarcisius</i> , 2008 <i>*previous record price: 649,200 USD set in 2021</i>	£200,000 - 300,000	£660,400 \$842,670/€773,262

Exchange Rate on 7 March 2024: GBP£1 = USD\$1.2760, EUR€1.1709

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