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PHILLIPS FIRST 20TH CENTURY AND CONTEMPORARY ART AUCTION TOTALS \$66.9 / £44.1 / €62.2 MILLION

WORLD RECORDS FOR LE CORBUSIER AND TOSHIMITSU IMAI



NEW YORK – **8 NOVEMBER 2015** – The inaugural 20th Century and Contemporary Art Auction at Phillips totalled \$66,894,000 / £44,150,040 / €62,211,420 selling 90% by value and 82% by lot.

"We are delighted with the results from our 20th Century and Contemporary Art Evening Sale," said Jean-Paul Engelen, Worldwide Head of Contemporary Art, and Hugues Joffre, Worldwide Head of 20th Century Art. "We had very active bidding for a number of lots, including works by Jean Dubuffet, Yayoi Kusama, Michelangelo Pistoletto, Joan Mitchell, and Henry Moore, and we are pleased to see a new record for Le Corbusier, bolstering our expansion into 20th Century art. The contemporary market remains vibrant, and our international team worked hard to assemble a sale that offered desirable works across multiple categories and price points."

TOP TEN LOTS

16 Willem de Kooning Untitled XXVIII, 1977 \$11,365,000 / £7,500,900 / €10,569,450

21 Le Corbusier Femme rouge et pelote verte, 1932 \$4,645,000 / £3,065,700 / €4,319,850

25 Giorgio de Chirico Gladiateurs au Repos, 1928 \$3,973,000 / £2,622,180 / €3,694,890

15 **Alexander Calder** *Untitled*, 1941 \$3,973,000 / £2,622,180 / €3,694,890

13 Christopher Wool Untitled (P271), 1997 \$3,189,000 / £2,104,740 / €2,965,770

3 Michelangelo Pistoletto *Gruppo di persone*, 1962 \$2,405,000 / £1,587,300 / €2,236,650

46 Wade Guyton Untitled, 2005 \$2,405,000 / £1,587,300 / €2,236,650

5 **Morris Louis** *Para IV*, 1959 \$2,285,000 / £1,508,100 / €2,125,050

10 **Robert Gober** *The Sad Sink*, 1985 \$2,225,000 / £1,468,500 / €2,069,250

19 Joan Mitchell Untitled, 1975 \$1,925,000 / £1,270,500 / €1,790,250

AUCTION RECORDS

21 Le Corbusier Femme rouge et pelote verte, 1932 \$4,482,100 / £2,958,186 / €4,168,353

27 Toshimitsu Imai *Lava*, 1957 \$413,000 / £272,580 / €384,090

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