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SALE RESULTS

**Phillips in association with Italian Auction House Cambi
Achieves White Glove Sale for *Casa di Fantasia*, realising £1.9 million**

Preceded by Important Design, realising £3.3 million

London, 21 March 2019



Domenico Raimondo, Head of Design, Europe and Senior International Specialist, said: “This extraordinary white glove sale marks an unprecedented moment in the global market for Gio Ponti. It has been an incredibly exciting and enriching experience to partner with Cambi Casa d’Aste and to witness such a strong and positive reaction for this seminal interior. Edina Altara, Piero Fornasetti, Fausto Melotti, Giordano Chiesa (to name a few) all collaborated and worked under the guidance of Gio Ponti to create this extraordinary metaphysical scenery, where volumes and materials dissolve in a game of illusion. Thought out as a stage set, it represented and celebrated Ponti’s unique approach to design and incorporated some of the most iconic and sought after designs from the architect. These outstanding prices were achieved as a result of truly international bidding from some of the most established private collectors of 20th Century Italian Art and Design, for which Phillips continues to be at the forefront of the market.”

Alexander Payne, Worldwide Head of Design, Deputy Chairman, Europe, said: “What was so evident from today’s sales was the high degree of confidence among collectors for European 20th century design. The international design market certainly passed its first test of the year, with the final result far exceeding the high sale estimate. Offering a broad panorama across the design spectrum, the sale was led by Lucio Fontana and Osvaldo Borsani’s wardrobe, which captures the unique relationship between the artist and architect, and between object and space. Further standout results include the four ceiling lights designed for the Olivetti showroom in New York by Studio BBPR. We purposefully set out to carefully select our sales with great care in order to celebrate and promote design in its many forms, and this continues to draw new and existing clients to our market. We look forward to the Design sale in New York on 6 June.”

Casa di Fantasia Sale Total: £1,965,875 / \$2,580,997 / €2,266,654

Lots Sold: 30 | Lots Offered: 30

Sold by Lot: 100% | Sold by Value: 100%

TOP TEN LOTS

Lot	Description	Estimate	Price Achieved
315	Gio Ponti and Edina Altara, <i>Chest of drawers</i> , circa 1951	£45,000 - 65,000	£337,500 \$443,104/€389,138
306	Gio Ponti and Edina Altara, <i>Chest of drawers</i> , circa 1951	£45,000 - 65,000	£250,000 \$328,225/€288,250
310	Gio Ponti, Piero Fornasetti, Edina Altara and Guido Gambone, <i>Study and dressing rooms</i> , circa 1951	£80,000 - 120,000	£225,000 \$295,403/€259,425
320	Gio Ponti, <i>Wall light with niche and hand with flowers statuette</i> , circa 1951	£10,000 - 15,000	£110,000 \$144,419/€126,830
328	Fausto Melotti, <i>Set of 285 tiles</i> , circa 1951	£8,000 - 12,000	£100,000 \$131,290/€115,300
330	Fausto Melotti, <i>Five wall-mounted soap dishes</i> , circa 1951	£12,000 - 18,000	£87,500 \$114,879/€100,888
307	Gio Ponti, <i>Low table</i> , circa 1951	£15,000 - 20,000	£81,250 \$106,673/€93,681
309	Gio Ponti, <i>Large king and queen statuettes</i> , circa 1951	£15,000 - 20,000	£81,250 \$106,673/€93,681
301	Gio Ponti, <i>Illuminated 'Positivo-negativo' wall-mounted cabinet with tower and queen statuettes</i> , circa 1951	£40,000 - 60,000	£68,750 \$90,262/€79,269
311	Gio Ponti, <i>Dining table</i> , circa 1951	£25,000 - 35,000	£68,750 \$90,262/€79,269

Important Design

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Important Design Sale Total: £3,311,500 / \$4,347,668 / €3,818,160

Lots Sold: 127 | Lots Offered: 144

Sold by Lot: 88% | Sold by Value: 93%

TOP TEN LOTS

Lot	Description	Estimate	Price Achieved
14	Lucio Fontana and Osvaldo Borsani, <i>Wardrobe</i> , 1952-1953	£140,000 - 220,000	£275,000 \$361,048/€317,075
33	Carlo Mollino, <i>Rare chair, designed for the conference room, Lattes Publishing House, Turin</i> , 1951	£70,000 - 90,000	£100,000 \$131,290/€115,300
35	Carlo Bugatti, <i>Rare games table and set of four chairs</i> , circa 1902	£80,000 - 120,000	£93,750 \$123,084/€108,094
12	Carlo Mollino, <i>Unique pair of lounge chairs, designed for the living room of the Ada and Cesare Minola House, Turin</i> , 1944-1946	£100,000 - 150,000	£87,500 \$114,879/€100,888
54	Max Ingrand, <i>Ceiling light</i> , circa 1953	£12,000 - 18,000	£87,500 \$114,879/€100,888

32	Studio BBPR - Gian Luigi Banfi, Ludovico Belgiojoso, Enrico Peressutti and Ernesto Nathan Rogers, <i>Set of four ceiling lights, designed for the Olivetti showroom, New York, circa 1954</i>	£25,000 - 35,000	£81,250 \$106,673/€93,681
36	Gio Ponti, <i>Set of three stools, designed for the Contini Bonacossi residence, Quadreria Moderna, Villa Vittoria, Florence, 1930-1931</i>	£50,000 - 70,000	£81,250 \$106,673/€93,681
28	Carlo Mollino, <i>Set of three side chairs, designed for the Casa del Sole, Cervinia, circa 1953</i>	£60,000 - 80,000	£75,000 \$98,468/€86,475
44	François-Xavier Lalanne, <i>La carpe d'or, 1987</i>	£25,000 - 35,000	£75,000 \$98,468/€86,475
114	Ico Parisi, <i>Rare 'Uovo' chair, model no. 813, circa 1953</i>	£6,000 - 8,000	£75,000 \$98,468/€86,475

* Lot 12 and 17 were sold immediately following the auction and included in the sale results.

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