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Top of The Time

Hong Kong Watches Online | 10 -20 March 2023 Total number of lots: 110 Low estimate: HK\$ 40 million

A world-class curation of contemporary complicated wristwatches of the very highest calibre Including two of Patek Philippe's greatest masterpieces – rarely seen at auction



Left, the incomparable and magnificent Patek Philippe 12-complication Ref. 6002G 'Sky Moon Tourbillon' with blue champlevé and cloisonné enamel dial. Right, the exceptional Patek Philippe self-winding 'Grande Complication' Ref. 5208P Minute Repeater single-button chronograph with perpetual calendar.

Hong Kong, 1 March 2023 – Christie's Hong Kong is proud to present a meticulously curated online sale offering timepieces by the world's most illustrious watchmaking brands, including Patek Philippe, Audemars Piguet, Rolex and Cartier.

With a total low estimate of HK\$40 million, the *Top of The Time* auction is well positioned to achieve the highest sale total to date for an Online watches sale at Christie's, with Patek Philippe Ref. 6002G being the most valuable timepiece to be offered in any online auction at Christie's Asia.

Among the incredible timepieces presented are two of Patek Philippe's greatest masterpieces, each one an exemplar of the five most complicated wristwatches ever made by the *maison*: the incomparable and magnificent 12-complication Ref. 6002G 'Sky Moon Tourbillon' with blue *champlevé* and *cloisonné* enamel dial; and the exceptional self-winding '*Grande Complication*' Ref. 5208P Minute Repeater single-button chronograph with perpetual calendar.



Alexandre Bigler, Vice-President, Head of Watches Asia Pacific, shared: "Our first Online sale Top of The Time inaugurates Christie's Watches Spring season and will more than likely set new records. We are thrilled to offer to international clients and collectors not only two superb and unique Patek Philippe Grande Complication models — a stunning Ref. 6002G and a no less extraordinary Ref. 5208P — but also a fantastic selection of exquisite rarities from the other great creators of watchmaking art."





Patek Philippe Grand Complications 'Sky Moon Tourbillon' - Ref. 6002G-001

Regarded as one of the most notable achievements in modern horology, the 'Sky Moon Tourbillon' has been described as representing the culmination of over 400 years of watchmaking knowledge and savoir-faire, perfectly capturing the enduring relationship between humans, the Earth and the Universe.

(Est: HK\$28,000,000-45,000,000)





Patek Philippe Grande Complication - Ref. 5208P-001

Patek Philippe's first *grande complication* wristwatch with chronograph, perpetual calendar and minute repeater – plus a moon phase – in exquisite platinum is the definition of a grail watch. The instantaneous change of day, date and month in leap years alone testifies to unparalleled watchmaking prowess.

(Est: HK\$5,500,000-9,500,000)

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- Following the groundbreaking 2021 sale of the first digital art NFT ever offered by a global auction house (<u>Beeple's Everydays</u>), Christie's recently launched the first <u>fully on-chain auction platform</u> dedicated to exceptional NFT art. As an industry leader in digital innovation, Christie's also continues to pioneer new technologies that are redefining the business of art, including the use of hologram technology to tour life-size 3D objects around the world, and the creation of viewing and bidding experiences that integrate augmented reality, global livestreaming, buynow channels, and hybrid sales formats.
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