

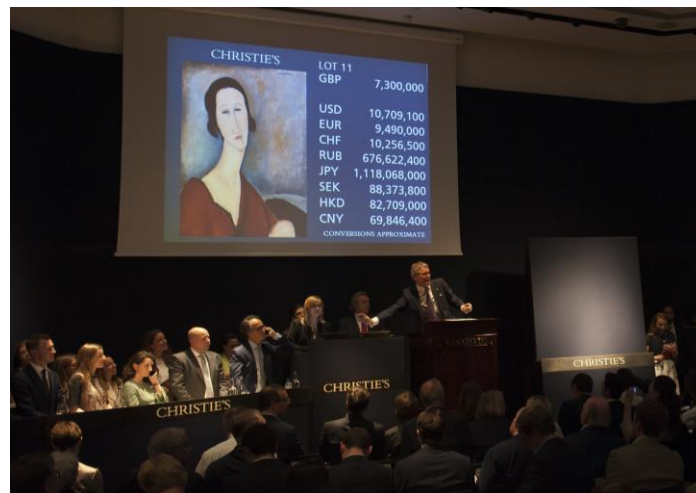


CHRISTIE'S

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'20TH CENTURY AT CHRISTIE'S' CONTINUES WITH THE IMPRESSIONIST & MODERN ART EVENING SALE BRINGING THE RUNNING TOTAL TO DATE TO £46,677,900/ \$68,325,567/ €60,382,899

***Impressionist & Modern Art Evening Sale Welcomes
Registered Bidders from 34 Countries across 4 Continents***



London – Christie's Evening Sale of *Impressionist & Modern Art*, in London on 22 June, realised £25,612,500/ \$37,573,538/ €33,296,250, bringing the running total to date for '20th Century at Christie's' (20-30 June) to £46,677,900/ \$68,325,567/ €60,382,899. The top price of the evening was achieved by *Madame Hanka Zborowska* by Amedeo Modigliani, which sold for £8,258,500/ \$12,115,220/ €10,736,050 (estimate: £5-7 million). In total, 11 works of art sold for over £1 million / 12 for over \$1 million. One artist's record was achieved for Bernard Buffet's *Les clowns musiciens, le saxophoniste*, and one record was set for a work on paper by Ernst Ludwig Kirchner's *Blaue Artisten*.

Jay Vincze, International Director and Head of The Impressionist and Modern Art Department, Christie's London: "This sale welcomed continued global participation with registered bidders from 34 countries across 4 continents. While there was selective bidding, solid prices were realised across price levels, styles and periods, with notable works exceeding their high pre-sale estimates: from the 1882 Renoir landscape which opened the sale; to Kirchner's 1914 pastel which set a new record for a work on paper by the artist; and Modigliani's 1917 portrait of *Madame Hanka Zborowska*; through to a 1991 Buffet which set a new record for the artist at auction. Building on the Modern British & Irish Art sales results, '20th century at Christie's' will continue with attractive estimates at all price levels in our King Street, South Kensington and online Impressionist & Modern Art sales, followed by the remarkable Henry Moore, 'Festival Reclining Figure' which will be offered in our 250th anniversary sale *Defining British Art* on 30 June."

The top lot of the sale:

The cover lot of the sale, a portrait of *Madame Hanka Zborowska*, 1917, by Amedeo Modigliani, which was offered at auction for the first time, sold for £8,258,500/ \$12,115,220/ €10,736,050 (estimate: £5-7 million). Having been in the same collection since 1937, this portrait perfectly exemplifies Modigliani's mature style and depicts one of the artist's favourite and most frequent sitters: the beautiful, dark-featured Hanka or Anna Zborowska, wife of the artist's dealer and supporter Léopold Zborowski.

Further leading highlights of the evening include:

Wassily Kandinsky's *Esquisse pour Autour du cercle*, from a private Swiss collection of works by Kandinsky and Paul Klee, sold for £1,762,500/ \$2,585,588/ € 2,291,250 (estimate: £1.5-2.5 million).

With its dreamlike atmosphere and deep, blue colour palette, Marc Chagall's *Le petit flûtiste*, painted in 1967, sold for £1,426,500/ \$2,092,676/ €1,854,450 (estimate: £700,000-1million).

For the overall top ten lots please see below, page three.

A press update for '20th Century at Christie's' will be available on Friday 24 June, following the sales of *Modern British & Irish Art* and *Impressionist & Modern Art* sales this week. A full wrap-up post-sales press release for '20th Century at Christie's' will be available following the works offered in the *Post War and Contemporary Art* sales and *Defining British Art Evening Sale*.

Notes to Editors:

Artist Records:

Lot 22

Bernard Buffet (1928-1999)

Les clowns musiciens, le saxophoniste

signed and dated 'Bernard Buffet 1991' (centre left)

oil on canvas

88 3/4 x 106 1/4 in. (225.4 x 270 cm.)

Painted in 1991

Estimate: £700,000 - 1,200,000

Price realised: £1,022,500 / \$1,500,008 / €1,329,250

WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR THE ARTIST

(Previous artist's record: \$996,300 in Feb 2016)

Record for the Medium:

Lot 32

Ernst Ludwig Kirchner (1880-1938)

Blaue Artisten

signed 'E L Kirchner' (upper left)

pastel on paper

26 3/4 x 20 in. (68 x 50.8 cm.)

Executed in 1914

Estimate: £700,000 - 1,000,000

Price realised: £1,082,500 / \$1,588,028 / €1,407,250

WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR A WORK ON PAPER BY THE ARTIST

(Previous artist's record for the medium: £881,250 in 2010)



CHRISTIE'S

IMPRESSIONIST AND MODERN ART EVENING AUCTION
 London, Wednesday 22 June 2016, Sale 11792
 [All sold prices include buyer's premium]

21 lots sold **Total: £25,612,500/\$37,573,538/€33,296,250** 64% sold by lot
 33 lots offered \$1.467 = £1 / €1.300 = £1 63% sold by value

Lot	Description	Estimate (£)	Price Realised	Buyer
11	Amedeo Modigliani (1884-1920), <i>Madame Hanka Zborowska</i> , Painted in 1917	5,000,000 - 7,000,000	£8,258,500 \$12,115,220 €10,736,050	Anonymous
6	Wassily Kandinsky (1866-1944), <i>Esquisse pour Autour du cercle</i> , Painted in April 1940	1,500,000 - 2,500,000	£1,762,500 \$2,585,588 €2,291,250	Anonymous
21	Marc Chagall (1887-1985), <i>Le petit flûtiste</i> , Painted in 1967	700,000 - 1,000,000	£1,426,500 \$2,092,676 €1,854,450	Anonymous
8	Wassily Kandinsky (1866-1944), <i>Zersetzte Spannung (Disintegrated Tension)</i> , Painted in April 1930	1,000,000 - 1,500,000	£1,314,500 \$1,928,372 €1,708,850	Anonymous
9	Wassily Kandinsky (1866-1944), <i>Verschleiertes Glühen (Veiled Glow)</i> , Painted in January - February 1928	1,200,000 - 1,800,000	£1,258,500 \$1,846,220 €1,636,050	Anonymous
33	Alexej von Jawlensky (1864-1941), <i>Sitzende Frau</i> , Painted circa 1909	700,000 - 1,000,000	£1,258,500 \$1,846,220 €1,636,050	Anonymous
10	Fernand Léger (1881-1955), <i>Deux figures</i> , Painted in 1929	1,200,000 - 1,800,000	£1,202,500 \$1,764,068 €1,563,250	Anonymous
25	Marc Chagall (1887-1985), <i>Le voyageur</i> , Painted in 1980	1,000,000 - 1,500,000	£1,202,500 \$1,764,068 €1,563,250	Anonymous
1	Pierre-Auguste Renoir (1841-1919), <i>Rochers de l'Estaque</i> , Painted in 1882	300,000 - 500,000	£1,082,500 \$1,588,028 €1,407,250	Anonymous
32	Ernst Ludwig Kirchner (1880-1938), <i>Blaue Artisten</i> , Executed in 1914 WORLD RECORD PRICE FOR A WORK ON PAPER BY THE ARTIST	700,000 - 1,000,000	£1,082,500 \$1,588,028 €1,407,250	Anonymous

Next Sale: *Impressionist and Modern Art Day Auction* – 23 June 2016, London.

Please click [here](#) to view the full international schedule of upcoming *Impressionist and Modern Art* auctions at Christie's.
 Estimates do not include buyer's premium.
 Sales totals are hammer price plus buyer's premium and do not reflect costs, third-party financing fees or application of buyer's or seller's credits.