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SETTING TWO NEW WORLD AUCTION RECORDS:

A HERMÈS STERLING SILVER MINI KELLY
AND

HIGHEST PRICE EVER FOR A LOUIS VUITTON HANDBAG SOLD AT AUCTION

CHRISTIE'S NOW HOLDS AUCTION RECORDS FOR HERMÈS, GUCCI
AND LOUIS VUITTON



A RARE, STERLING SILVER MINI KELLY
HERMÈS, CIRCA 2000
Price Realized: \$214,200

NEW YORK - Christie's is delighted to announce the results of **Handbags Online: The New York Edit** totalling \$3,214,008. The auction was 92% sold by lot and 98% by low estimate. The sale saw global participation with 42% of buyers being new to Christie's.

Two world auction records were set during the sale. The first one was for the **Hermès Sterling Silver Mini Kelly** which sold for \$214,200, a world auction record for the model. The second one was achieved by the **Louis Vuitton X Yayoi Kusama, Limited Edition Yellow & Black Monogram Leather Pumpkin Bag** which fetched \$44,100, a new world record price not only for the model but for any Louis Vuitton handbag to sell at auction. As of today Christie's holds the record prices for Hermès, Louis Vuitton, and Gucci handbags to sell at auction.

Paige Rubin, Head of Sale, Handbags, Americas says: “Exceptionally fine and well-crafted handbags fetched fantastic prices in our sale. Clients demonstrated a consistent appetite for very special handbags which resonate with their personal collecting tastes. The Sterling Silver Kelly was produced in very limited numbers by Hermès, and the record auction price for the model set today is a testament to the enduring value of rare luxuries. We were delighted achieve an auction record for a Louis Vuitton handbag with the Kusama Pumpkin, which struck a chord with Christie's loyal art collectors and handbag collectors alike. This season, we also had the special honor of selling an extremely rare 133-year-old Louis Vuitton trunk on behalf of a direct descendent of its original purchaser. It remained in his home in Pawtucket, Rhode Island for a century before making its way to Christie's, and our successful sale at over 400% of the low estimate which illustrates the wonderful stories luxury creations can tell—and the value they can hold—when they are carefully produced to last generations.”

The sale featured a curated assemblage of the most rare and exceptional handbags from brands such as Hermès, Chanel, Louis Vuitton, Dior. Additional top lots included a Hermès Matte Béton Alligator, White Togo, Swift & Sombrero, Orange H & Craie Swift & Bleu Brume Chèvre Leather Neige Faubourg Sellier Birkin 20 With Palladium Hardware which realized \$189,000, a Hermès Matte White Himalaya Niloticus Crocodile Birkin 30 With Palladium Hardware which sold for \$113,400. Outstanding results were also achieved for a Louis Vuitton **Brown Tan Patterned Stenciled Canvas & Wood Malle Courier**, circa 1890 which sold for \$44,100 against its low estimate of \$10,000.

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A RARE, MATTE BÉTON ALLIGATOR, WHITE TOGO, SWIFT & SOMBRERO, ORANGE H & CRAIE SWIFT & BLEU BRUME CHÈVRE LEATHER NEIGE FAUBOURG SELLIER BIRKIN 20 WITH PALLADIUM HARDWARE
HERMÈS, 2022
Price Realized: \$189,000



A RARE, LIMITED EDITION YELLOW & BLACK MONOGRAM LEATHER PUMPKIN BAG WITH SILVER HARDWARE
LOUIS VUITTON X YAYOI KUSAMA, 2023
Price Realized: \$44,100



A VERY RARE, BROWN AND TAN PATTERNED STENCILLED CANVAS & WOOD MALLE COURRIER 110
LOUIS VUITTON, CIRCA 1890
Price Realized: \$44,100



AN EXCEPTIONAL, SHINY BLACK POROSUS CROCODILE SELLIER KELLY 25 WITH 18K WHITE GOLD & DIAMOND HARDWARE
HERMÈS, 2019
Price Realized: \$138,600



AN EXCEPTIONAL, SHINY BRAISE POROSUS CROCODILE BIRKIN 30 WITH 18K WHITE GOLD & DIAMOND HARDWARE
HERMÈS, 2019
Price Realized: \$113,400



A RARE, MATTE WHITE HIMALAYA NILOTICUS CROCODILE BIRKIN 30 WITH PALLADIUM HARDWARE
HERMÈS, 2020
Price Realized: \$113,400

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