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Christie's Hong Kong
Important Chinese Ceramics and Works of Art Live Auction Presenting

A DIVERSE ARRAY OF RARE AND OUTSTANDING MASTERPIECES WITH EXCEPTIONAL PROVENANCE

Widely Exhibited In Major Museums and Institutions

Hailing from Revered Private Collections Worldwide:

| The Mingjishantang Collection of Chinese Classical *Huanghuali* Furniture |
| Part II of the Renowned Butler Family Collection |



**PROPERTY FROM AN ASIAN PRIVATE
COLLECTION**

AN EXTREMELY RARE LARGE DING
WHITE-GLAZED KUNDIKA
NORTHERN SONG DYNASTY (960-1127)
34 cm. high

Estimate: HK\$8,000,000 – 10,000,000



**THE PROPERTY OF A NOBLE FAMILY
A MAGNIFICENT FINE AND EXTREMELY
RARE UNDERGLAZE-BLUE AND COPPER-
RED-DECORATED 'DRAGON'
TIANQIUPING**

YONGZHENG SIX-CHARACTER MARK IN
UNDERGLAZE BLUE AND OF THE PERIOD
(1723-1735)
51 cm. high

Estimate: HK\$18,000,000 – 25,000,000



**PROPERTY FROM
THE MINGJISHANTANG COLLECTION
A LARGE HUANGHUALI TRAVELLING
SCHOLAR'S BOOKCASE, TUSHUXINGGUI**

LATE 16TH- EARLY 17TH CENTURY
84 cm high, 78.8cm. wide, 45.5cm deep

Estimate: HK\$1,800,000 – 3,000,000

30 November | Live Auction | Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre

Hong Kong – Following the announcement of Christie's Hong Kong's dedicated sale of [The Tianminlou Collection](#) – one of the most esteemed Chinese porcelain collections ever assembled, the Chinese Ceramics and Works of Art department is thrilled to unveil a further live auction on 30 November. [The Important Chinese Ceramics and Works of Art](#) sale showcases a broad spectrum of carefully selected artworks for their rarity, quality, beauty and, most importantly, exceptional provenances. The sale features magnificent objects ranging from ceramics and Imperial porcelain, to Buddhist sculptures and Chinese classical *huanghuali* furniture, most of which were widely exhibited in prestigious museums and are now hailing from private collections across the globe.

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Amongst the treasures presented is an important selection of Qing Imperial porcelain, classical Ming porcelain and a private Asian collection of Song ceramics. Leading highlights are a **fine and extremely rare underglaze-blue and copper-red-decorated 'dragon' tianqiuping** (estimate: HK\$18,000,000 – 25,000,000, centre image above) – a true tour-de-force for Qing Imperial porcelain, representing the skilled pottery and innovative precision particularly associated with the Yongzheng reign (1723-1735); an **extremely rare Yongle Period blue and white basin** (estimate: HK\$20,000,000 – 30,000,000, pictured on the right), and an **extremely rare large Ding white-glazed kundika** (estimate: HK\$8,000,000 – 10,000,000, pictured above on the left).



PROPERTY OF A LADY
AN IMPORTANT AND EXTREMELY
RARE BLUE AND WHITE BASIN
YONGLE PERIOD (1402-1425)
26.2 cm. diam.

Estimate: HK\$20,000,000 – 30,000,000

Cementing Christie's strength in offering prestigious single owner collections, Christie's Hong Kong is proud to present **The Mingjishantang Collection of Chinese Classical Huanghuali Furniture**, and **Part II of the Butler Family Collection** this season:

The Mingjishantang Collection of Chinese Classical Furniture was formed over 30 years ago by Hong Kong collectors Mr. and Mrs. Peter Cheng Kar Shing, and was subsequently on loan to the Indianapolis Museum of Art over the last two decades. The collection is comprised of fine *huanghuali* furniture from the Ming and Qing dynasties in a variety of rare forms. Highlights include a beautifully proportioned, **large huanghuali travelling scholar's bookcase, tushuxinggui** (estimate: HK\$1,800,000 – 3,000,000, pictured above on the right), which is entirely made of *huanghuali*; and a **pair of huanghuali rectangular waisted stools, changfangdeng** (estimate: HK\$1,200,000 – 1,800,000, pictured on the right), formerly part of the Museum of Classical Furniture collection and acclaimed to 'rank among the best examples of these basic forms'.



PROPERTY FROM THE MINGJISHANTANG COLLECTION
A PAIR OF HUANGHUALI RECTANGULAR
WAISTED STOOLS, CHANGFANGDENG
MING DYNASTY,
LATE 16TH CENTURY-EARLY 17TH CENTURY
51cm. high, 56cm. wide, 47cm. deep

Estimate: HK\$1,200,000 – 1,800,000



PROPERTY FROM THE BUTLER FAMILY COLLECTION
A LARGE BLUE AND WHITE
'WILD GESE AND LANDSCAPE' BRUSH POT
KANGXI PERIOD (1662-1722)
18.8 cm. diam.

Estimate: HK\$300,000 – 500,000

Following the extremely successful white-glove auction of the **Butler Family Collection** in November last year, Christie's Hong Kong is honoured to present Part II of the collection this season, comprised of an equally remarkable group of over 60 lots of 17th and 18th century porcelain. The leading lot amongst the numerous highlights is a **Kangxi Period large blue and white 'wild geese and landscape' brush pot** (estimate: HK\$300,000 – 500,000, pictured on the left). This brush pot is delicately inscribed with two poems, each a lyrical liaison to the scene it adorns, whispering tales of the depicted landscapes with ink and imagination.

Marco Almeida, Senior Vice President, Head of Department, Chinese Ceramics and Works of Art, Christie's Asia Pacific commented, "*The masterpieces meticulously selected for this auction are united by their outstanding provenance, providing an extraordinary opportunity for collectors and enthusiasts at all stages of their collecting journeys. This is further elevated by the diversity of the sale's curation, which extends across dynasties, and with artworks hailing from distinguished Asian and Western collections, featuring a robust selection of exemplary ceramics, lacquerwares, Buddhist sculptures, and huanghuali furniture. Amongst the magnificent private collections offered, we are honoured to present Part II of The Butler Family Collection – it comes to the market following the incredible demand for Part I at Christie's Hong Kong in autumn 2022, which was 100% sold. We eagerly anticipate welcoming you this November, where a world of remarkable Chinese ceramics and works of art awaits your discovery.*"

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ADDITIONAL AUCTION HIGHLIGHTS



PROPERTY FROM THE MINGJISHANTANG COLLECTION
A HUANGHUALI FOUR-POSTER CANOPY BED,
JIAZICHUANG

MID-QING DYNASTY

209.5 cm. wide, 140 cm. deep, 221.5 cm. high

Estimate: HK\$1,500,000 – 2,500,000



PROPERTY FROM THE MINGJISHANTANG COLLECTION
A PAIR OF HUANGHUALI ADJUSTABLE LAMP STANDS,
DENGTAI

MID-QING DYNASTY

177.2 cm. high, 26 cm. wide (base)

Estimate: HK\$600,000 – 800,000



PROPERTY OF A HONG KONG COLLECTOR
A FINE AND RARE PAIR OF ANHUA-DECORATED 'DRAGON'
RUBY-ENAMELLED TEA BOWLS

YONGZHENG MARKS IN UNDERGLAZE BLUE WITHIN DOUBLE
SQUARES AND OF THE PERIOD (1722-1735)

9.7 cm. diam.

Estimate: HK\$5,000,000 – 7,000,000



PROPERTY FROM A FRENCH PRIVATE COLLECTION
AN EXTREMELY RARE CINNABAR LACQUER 'DRAGON'
DOUBLE-LOZENGE SHAPED BOX AND COVER

LONGQING INCISED GILT SIX-CHARACTER MARK IN A LINE AND
OF THE PERIOD (1567-1572)

25.7 cm. wide

Estimate: HK\$1,200,000 – 1,800,000



A VERY RARE GILT-BRONZE FIGURE OF MANJUSRI

YUAN DYNASTY (1271-1368)

10.7 cm. wide

Estimate: HK\$4,000,000 – 6,000,000

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Beijing | 5 – 6 Nov | China World Summit Wing, Ballroom B1, No.1 Jianguomenwai Avenue
Shanghai | 9 – 11 Nov | Christie's Shanghai, BUND ONE, 4/F, No.1 Zhongshan Dong Yi Road
Hong Kong | 25 – 30 Nov | Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, No.1 Harbour Road, Wan Chai

Live Auction:

- [The Tianminlou Collection](#)
- [Important Chinese Ceramics and Works of Art](#)

Hong Kong | 30 November | Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, No.1 Harbour Road, Wan Chai

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