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Auctioneer Cécile Verdier, President of Christie's France, selling a Tellem Figure for €1,250,000 setting a new world auction record

ARTS D'AFRIQUE, D'OCEANIE ET DES AMERIQUES TOTALS €6M

- 21 lots sold out of 22
- 5 lots over €500K, 2 lots over €1M.
- Preemption by the Musée du Quai Branly J. Chirac

THE SALE AT A GLANCE :

Sale overview : This sale celebrates the arts of the Ivory Coast, the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Papua New Guinea in particular. Highlights of the auction include an iconic baule mask, a fascinating kota reliquary figure, as well as a very rare figure from Lake Sentani. ([read more](#))

Sale's total : €6,005,580

Pre-sale estimates : €2,971,000 – 4,199,000

Number of lots : 22

98% of lots sold

Buyers from over twenty countries

THE TOP LOT OF THE SALE :

Lot number : 14

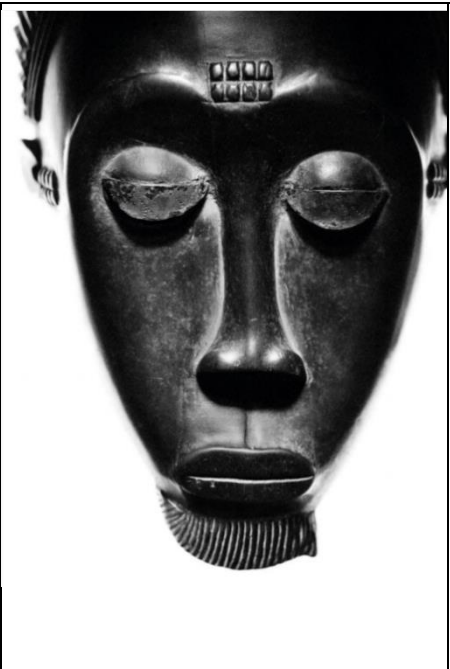


Work : Baule Mask, Ivory Coast

Sold for : €2,036,500

Provenance : A member of the *Monuments Men*, an anthropologist and a curator for several American museums, Frederick Pleasants also distinguished himself as a collector of taste and one of the most important specialists of African, Oceanic and South American arts in the 20th century.

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MOST NOTABLE LOTS:

		
<p>Baule Mask, Ivory Coast, portrait of a Monuments man, 12 3/4 in. (32.5 cm) high. Estimate on request Sold for : €2,036,500 Lot essay</p>	<p>Tellem Figure, Bandiagara escarpment, Mali, 23 1/4 in. (59 cm) high. Estimate : €120,000 – 180,000 Sold for : €1,250,000 Lot essay WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR A TELLEM FIGURE</p>	<p>Figure, Lake Sentani, Western New Guinea, Indonesia, 47 1/2 in. (121 cm) high. Estimate : € 200,000 – 300,000 Sold for : €352,800 Lot essay Preemption by the Musée du Quai Branly – Jacques Chirac</p>

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