

**HIP HOP'S CROWN JEWELS: PHILLIPS de PURY & COMPANY'S CONTEMPORARY JEWELRY SALE TO BE RESCHEDULED FOR MARCH 5, 2009 TO ACCOMMODATE STRONG MARKET INTEREST IN WORKS**

**VIEWING AND AUCTION TO COINCIDE WITH THE ARMORY SHOW**

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**New York – September 18 – Phillips de Pury & Company's Hip Hop's Crown Jewels**, an auction of contemporary jewelry offering key pieces of jewelry and artifacts from Hip Hop culture of the last two decades will be rescheduled. The sale date of October 1, 2008 will be changed to March 5, 2009 and will take place as planned in the company's New York galleries.

The new sale date will allow Phillips de Pury & Company to accommodate the increased demand from consigners and buyers who wish to participate in the sale.

Simon de Pury, Chairman of Phillips de Pury & Company states:

*This auction will be the first of its kind and from an early stage, we saw an appetite for works from this era in cultural and music history. These extraordinarily designed pieces herald one of the most groundbreaking and era-defining movements of the late 20th and early 21st Century. We have determined that there is more significant property to be consigned and that to enlarge the sale we will increase the offering which is in great demand. As an art company that is dedicated to presenting the best of contemporary culture, Phillips de Pury & Company is thrilled that the reception has been so positive.*

The Hip Hop's Crown Jewels viewing and sale will coincide with a number of international contemporary art events scheduled in New York, including The Armory Show (March 5–8, 2009).

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