

MUSIC: PHILLIPS de PURY & COMPANY'S THIRD THEME SALE TO OFFER MUSIC-INSPIRED CONTEMPORARY ART, DESIGN, EDITIONS, PHOTOGRAPHS AND MEMORABILIA

WORKS BY DAMIEN HIRST, ANDY WARHOL, HELMUT NEWTON, MARTIN KIPPENBERGER, MARC NEWSON AND DAVID LACHAPPELLE TO BE OFFERED

MATTHEW HERBERT TO CREATE THE SOUNDTRACK FOR THE FIRST AUCTION EVER TO BE CONDUCTED WITH LIVE MUSIC

TWENTY-FIVE UNIQUE PHOTOGRAPHIC WORKS FROM THE RANKIN/DESTROY PROJECT TO BE SOLD ON 14 NOVEMBER 2009 IN A CHARITY AUCTION TO BENEFIT THE YOUTH MUSIC FOUNDATION

PHILLIPS DE PURY & COMPANY AND THE YOUTH MUSIC FOUNDATION WILL STAGE FOUR LIVE CONCERTS DURING THE ART AND MUSIC FORTNIGHT

SALE DATE: 21 NOVEMBER 2009 5 PM

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London – Phillips de Pury & Company is proud to announce **MUSIC**.

Phillips de Pury & Company has positioned itself as one of the most innovative forces in the art world. Phillips de Pury & Company has introduced a new series of theme auctions of Contemporary Art and culture which will be held at their headquarters in London and New York.

The **MUSIC** theme sale at Phillips de Pury & Company offers something very new to the market. Using the strength of the contemporary brand at Phillips de Pury & Company, the sale will be offering four key components to the sale: art and design by contemporary artists that has a reference to music; art by contemporary musicians; portraits of contemporary musicians by top photographers; plus music memorabilia.



Simon de Pury, (Chairman, Phillips de Pury & Company) says: "Whether it's Peter Blake creating the ultimate album cover for the *Sgt Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club* by the **Beatles** in the 60's or more recently, **Damien Hirst** doing all the fabulous artwork for the last two releases of **The Hours**, there has been an inextricably close link between art and music".



Top lots include two works by **Damien Hirst**, *Beautiful Psychedelic Rays of Dancing Love Hours Spin Painting*, 2008, estimate at £200,000 – 300,000; and *Spin Skull with Clocks in Eyes*, 2008, estimated at £100,000 – 150,000. These works were produced in collaboration with the band **The Hours**. Also included is a silkscreen on paper by **Andy Warhol**, *Michael Jackson*, 1984, estimated at £150,000 – 250,000; and a work on paper by **Martin Kippenberger**, *Untitled (Self Portrait, Chelsea Hotel)*, 1990, estimated at £20,000 – 30,000. These top works will be auctioned off alongside artworks by other important names in contemporary art such as: **Sam Taylor-Wood**, **Thomas Hirschhorn** and **Candice Breitz**.

The inclusion of artworks created by contemporary musicians is the section that Phillips de Pury & Company is proud to introduce as part of this new concept. Presenting some of the biggest names in music alongside some of the celebrated contemporary artists of today, the sale provides a new dynamic and dialogue between art and music. Some of the works included in this section are by **Nick Rhodes**, **Pete Doherty**, **Moby**, and **Marilyn Manson**.

Photography will play a large roll in the sale, offering contemporary photographs of musicians and rock stars by top photographers such as **Helmut Newton**, **Peter Lindbergh** and **Mario Testino**. Top photography lots include **Jonas Mekas's**, *Collection of 40 Film Stills: Elvis*, 2008, estimated at £80,000 – 120,000 and **Peter Lindbergh's** triptych, *Keith Richards, New York*, 1999, estimated at £70,000 – 100,000.

In addition, Rock, Pop and Hip Hop memorabilia will round out the auction to include Hip Hop jewelry, fashion, toys, musical instruments and lyrics. Top lots include **Damon Dash's**, *Platinum and Asscher-Cut Diamond Cross Pendant*, estimated at £95,000 – 125,000; and **Bob Dylan's**, signed *Greatest Hits Album Cover*, estimated at £8,000 – 12,000. A *Limited Edition Gibson Flying V Electric Guitar*, used by **Michael Jackson** in the video *Scream*, estimated at £20,000 – 30,000 will also be offered alongside **Björk's** multi coloured couture dress, by Bernhard Willhelm, worn during her Volta Tour, estimated at £800 – 1,200.

The **MUSIC** sale will be the first auction ever to be held with live music. The acclaimed musician **Matthew Herbert**, will create a "sound carpet" that will accompany the auction conducted by **Simon de Pury**.

A unique collection of works from the **Rankin/Destroy** project will be offered in a charity auction coinciding with the **MUSIC** sale. Eighty destroyed photographic portraits of renowned musicians, which have been sent to the featured musicians to be artistically defaced, will be on display in Phillips de Pury & Company's London gallery from 9-21 November 2009. Twenty-five photographs will then be auctioned off in a separate charity auction to benefit the Youth Music Foundation on 14 November 2009.

Two weeks will be dedicated to the celebration of art and music, with the worthy Youth Music Foundation (YMF) and Phillips de Pury & Company

collaborating to produce a series of four concerts from 9-14 November 2009. Youth Music Foundation is an organization dedicated to preserving the classical music heritage by providing performance opportunities, financial assistance and community outreach programming to contribute to the personal, academic and artistic development of youth from all socio-economic and ethnic backgrounds. Concert line up: 9 November, with four mini concerts by the Youth Music Ambassador, **Mica Townsend, Patrick Wolf, Micachu** and **Josh Weller**. Solo performance by **Little Boots** on 12 November; **The Enemy** on 13 November; and **Jarvis Cocker** will play on 14 November.

Thierry Nataf, (Senior Vice President, Phillips de Pury & Company):

“This unique music sale by Phillips de Pury & Company will offer an exciting collaboration between two creative and cutting-edge industries. The permanent dialogue between art and music will be illustrated by the unprecedented collaboration between **Simon de Pury** and **Matthew Herbert**.”

A new catalogue in the form of an art and lifestyle magazine has been created for the theme sales. Every catalogue includes interviews with artists, curators and collectors, art world news and more. The **MUSIC** sale catalogue will include articles on: **Martin Creed, Jónsi and Alex, Matthew Herbert, Daniel Birnbaum, Christian Marclay, Graham Coxon, Goldie and Jeffrey Lewis**, and an interview with **Damien Hirst** by **Rankin**.

The sale will be held at the company's London headquarters:

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UPCOMING SALE DATES INCLUDE:

Contemporary Art (NY): 12 & 13 November 2009 7 PM, 10 AM & 2 PM

Photography (NY): 14 November 2009 10 AM & 1 PM

Design (NY): 14 November 2009 4 PM

Editions (NY): 15 November 2009 2 PM

THEME SALES:

Music (London): 21 November 2009 5 PM

New York New York (NY): 12 December 2009 5 PM

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