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MARCH SALES OF SOUTH ASIAN MODERN + CONTEMPORARY ART COLLECTIVELY PRESENT OVER 200 LOTS

TWO LIVE AUCTIONS:

[A Lasting Engagement: The Jane and Kito de Boer Collection](#) | 18 MARCH
[South Asian Modern + Contemporary Art](#) | 18 MARCH

TWO ONLINE SALES:

[A Lasting Engagement: The Jane and Kito de Boer Collection](#) Online | 13-20 MARCH
[Contemporary Art Asia](#) | 19-26 MARCH



Left: Collectors Jane and Kito De Boer. [Link here to content feature with collectors.](#)

Center: Akbar Padamsee (1928-2020), *Paysage Urbain*. Oil on Board, 40 X 40 1/2 in. Painted in 1961. Estimate: \$300,000-500,000.

Offered in *A Lasting Engagement: The Jane and Kito De Boer Collection* on March 18 at Christie's New York.

Right: Vasudeo S. Gaitonde (1924-2001), *Untitled*. Oil on Canvas, 44 3/4 X 32 in. Painted in 1983. \$2,000,000-3,000,000.

Offered in The *South Asian Modern + Contemporary Art* Auction on March 18 at Christie's New York.

New York – Christie's announces the March sales of **South Asian Modern + Contemporary Art** and **Asian Contemporary Art**, which will collectively present over 300 lots over two live auctions and two online sales at Christie's New York.

The sales are led by [A Lasting Engagement: The Jane and Kito de Boer Collection](#), which will offer over 150 works of Indian art from the prestigious collection of Jane and Kito de Boer across a live auction (March 18) and online sale (March 13-20). The collection, which began as a way for the couple to engage with India, where they were based in the 1990s, now represents one of the largest holdings of modern Indian art in any private collection. Featured in the sale are rare works by Ganesh Pyne and Rameshwar Broota including the latter's seminal 1982 painting, *The Last Chapter* (\$250,000-350,000). Additional highlights comprise early paintings by Akbar Padamsee and Maqbool Fida Husain, alongside a strong selection from the Bengal School. Contemporary works include important works by Atul Dodiya, Anish Kapoor, Chittrovanu Mazumdar and Hema Upadhyay. For more information on the collectors, visit [Christie's content feature](#). The full sale can also be [browsed here](#).

The [South Asian Modern + Contemporary Art](#) (March 18) various owner sale features a selection of works representing more than 100 years of creative endeavors and artistic production in the South Asian subcontinent. The sale is led by a seminal painting by Vasudeo S. Gaitonde, *Untitled* painted in 1983 alongside exceptional paintings by members of the

Progressive Artists' Group and their associates such as Francis Newton Souza, Maqbool Fida Husain, Akbar Padamsee, Sayed Haider Raza and Tyeb Mehta. Other highlights include important works by other pioneers of modern South Asian art such as Jagdish Swaminathan, Jehangir Sabavala, M.V. Dhurandhar, Sadequain, George Keyt and Zainul Abedin. The full sale can be [browsed here](#).

Deepanjana Klein, International Director of South Asian Modern and Contemporary Art, remarks: *"This season we are honored to present one of the most comprehensive offerings of South Asian modern and contemporary art at auction in recent years. Anchored by the significant de Boer collection, our March sales include an impressive selection by most major artists working in the region for the past century. The depth of Jane and Kito's collection is a rarity in our field. Institutional in nature and intellect, the de Boers collected Indian art with passion that knew no bounds. Alongside the collection sales, we have assembled a various owner sale that includes important works ranging from those by pioneers of modern South Asian art like Vasudeo Gaitonde, Tyeb Mehta, Francis Newton Souza, and Syed Haider Raza to a selection of significant works by increasingly recognized contemporary artists such as Zarina, and Jitish Kallat and Imran Qureshi."*

Additionally, highlights from the June 2020 Asian Art sales will be on public exhibition from March 13-20 at Christie's New York. The June sales are headlined by the landmark collection *Sacred and Imperial: The James and Marilynn Alsdorf Collection*, featuring over 300 treasured objects from the renowned Chicago collectors and philanthropists spanning South Indian bronzes, Qing dynasty porcelain, Chinese painting, and Chinese and Japanese works of art. Schedules for the March 2020 and June 2020 Asian Art auctions at Christie's New York are below. Press images can be [downloaded here](#).

SOUTH ASIAN MODERN + CONTEMPORARY ART LIVE AUCTIONS | MARCH 2020



RAMESHWAR BROOTA (B. 1941)
THE LAST CHAPTER
ACRYLIC ON CANVAS, 70 X 50 IN. PAINTED IN 1982
\$250,000-350,000

[A Lasting Engagement: The Jane and Kito de Boer Collection](#) **18 March | 10am | New York**

Christie's is proud to offer ***A Lasting Engagement: The Jane and Kito de Boer Collection***, presenting more than 150 works of Indian art from the prestigious collection of Jane and Kito de Boer. Highlights include a suite of rare works by **Ganesh Pyne** dating from the 1950s to the 1990s, and a range of works by **Rameshwar Broota** including the seminal 1982 painting, *The Last Chapter*. Additional highlights comprise early paintings by **Akbar Padamsee** and **Maqbool Fida Husain**, alongside a strong selection of works from the Bengal School and artists like **Francis Newton Souza**, **A. Ramachandran**, **Bikash Bhattacharjee** and **K. Laxma Goud**. Contemporary works in the auction include works by **Atul Dodiya** and **Anish Kapoor**. The live auction will be accompanied by an online sale (March 13-20), offering additional works from the collection. The full sale can be [browsed here](#).



TYEB MEHTA (1925 – 2009)
UNTITLED (CONFIDANT)
OIL ON CANVAS, 39 3/4 X 48 1/2 IN.
PAINTED IN 1962
\$600,000 – 800,000

[South Asian Modern + Contemporary Art](#) **18 March | 11:30am | New York**

Christie's sale of ***South Asian Modern + Contemporary Art*** presents a selection of works representing more than 100 years of creative endeavors and artistic production in the South Asian subcontinent. The sale is led by a seminal painting by **Vasudeo S. Gaitonde**, *Untitled* painted in 1983 alongside exceptional paintings by members of the Progressive Artists' Group and their associates such as Francis Newton Souza, **Maqbool Fida Husain**, **Akbar Padamsee**, **Sayed Haider Raza** and **Tyeb Mehta**. Other highlights include important works by other pioneers of modern South Asian art such as **Jagdish Swaminathan**, **Jehangir Sabavala**, **M.V. Dhurandhar**, **Sadequain**, **George Keyt** and **Zainul Abedin**. Featuring a range of works by top artists in the field, this season's sale offers emerging and established collectors unique buying opportunities across the category. The full sale can be [browsed here](#).

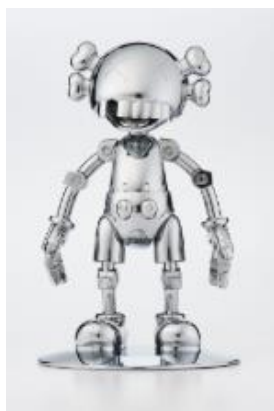
MARCH 2020 | ONLINE SALES:



GANESH PYNE (1937-2013)
UNTITLED (SELF PORTRAIT)
INK, WATERCOLOR AND PASTEL ON PAPER
9 7/8 X 7 1/4 IN. EXECUTED IN 1981
\$8,000 - 12,000

[A Lasting Engagement: The Jane and Kito de Boer Collection](#)
13 March – 20 March | Online

A Lasting Engagement: The Jane and Kito de Boer Collection Online sale will offer 70 lots from the celebrated collection. Featured in the online sale is a selection of Indian court paintings in addition to modern works by artists including **Ganesh Pyne**, **Francis Newton Souza**, **K. Laxma Goud**, **Bikash Bhattacharjee**, **Somnath Hore**, **Prosanto Roy** and **Abdur Rahman Chughtai** among others. Additionally, photographs by **Henri Cartier-Bresson**, **Raghu Rai** and **Steve McCurry** and contemporary works by **Chittrovanu Mazumdar** and **Hema Upadhyay** round out the online offering. The full online sale can be [browsed here](#).



KAWS X HAJIME SORAYAMA (B. 1974 AND 1947)
NO FUTURE COMPANION (SILVER CHROME EDITION)
32 X 20 X 20 CM. (12 5/8 X 7 7/8 X 7 7/8 IN.)
EXECUTED IN 2008. EDITION 161/500
\$7,000 - 9,000

[Contemporary Art Asia](#)
19 March – 26 March | Online

Contemporary Art Asia Online will comprise of 95 lots spanning modern and contemporary art from Asia. The sale is led by a collection of works by **Leonard Tsuguharu Foujita**, and a prominent American private collection of Chinese contemporary art, alongside works by noted artists such **Ding Yi**, **Zao Wou-Ki**, **Liu Ye**, **Walasse Ting**, **Ai Weiwei**, **Zeng Fanzhi**, **Yoshitomo Nara**, **Zhan Wang**, and **Takashi Murakami**. With a rich selection of prints, multiples, sculptures, photography, installation, and original works, the sale offers a unique opportunity to acquire affordable works by renowned artists. The sale also extends a frontier overview of the contemporary art scene with works by **Hajime Sorayama**, **MADSAKI**, **Hiroyuki Matsuura**, **Tatsuo Miyajima**, and **KAWS**. The full sale can be [browsed here](#).

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JUNE 2020 | ASIAN ART SALES AT CHRISTIE'S NEW YORK:

Select highlights from the June 2020 sales will be on public exhibition in the galleries from March 13-18.

Tuesday, 23 June 2020

Fine Chinese Paintings | 10am

Wednesday, 24 June 2020

Japanese and Korean Art | 10am

Indian, Himalayan and Southeast Asian Works of Art | 2pm

Sacred and Imperial: The James and Marilyn Alsdorf Collection Part I: Evening Sale | 6:30pm

Thursday, 25 June 2020

Sacred and Imperial: The James and Marilyn Alsdorf Collection Part II: Day Sale | 10am & 2pm

Friday, 26 June 2020

Fine Chinese Ceramics & Works of Art | 10am & 2pm

ONLINE:
Sacred and Imperial: The James and Marilynn Alsdorf | 23 June – 30 June
Art of China | 24 June – 1 July

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