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Museum to Hold Star-Studded Benefit Art Auction September 1-17

Unprecedented online sale includes valuable masterworks by Dali, Koons, Murakami and others



Jeff Koons, Balloon Dog (Blue), 2002

Roslyn Harbor, NY—More than 100 important works of art will be on the auction block September 1-17 including a rare Salvador Dali portfolio as well as pieces by Sam Francis, Hunt Slonem, Takashi Murakami, Christo, Roy Lichtenstein, Larry Rivers, Yoshitomo Nara, Doug Argue, Ben Schonzeit, Barbara Ernst Prey, Susan Cushing, Helen Frankenthaler and many others. The art, which goes on view online September 1 and can be viewed live starting September 7 at the Museum's Manes Center, is drawn from the Museum's own collection as well as donations from some of the internationally renowned contemporary artists who have shown at the Museum during its 30-year history. Buyers can register online beginning September 1 at http://ncma.betterworld.org/auctions/nassau-county-museum-art-benefit. The bidding will close at 7:30 pm on September 17.



Salvador Dali

Two factors make this a special event. It will directly benefit the ambitious plans of the Museum to continue mounting major shows on the level of the current blockbuster, Andy Warhol: A Life in Pop. The other attraction is authenticity. Collectors at all levels, including newcomers to the art market, will benefit from the assurance that the works they are acquiring have the most secure provenance possible. The art market today is red hot, but many fakes and scams abound especially online. By offering works from its own distinguished collection, as well as those donated fresh from the studios of important artists (many of whom are local), the Museum removes many of the risks of buying art. With prices for fine art rising so fast, great values on art works with impeccable provenance are almost impossible to find.

The Museum is taking advantage of the upsurge in the market as well as new rules governing the deaccessioning of works of art from the permanent collection which were instituted during the pandemic in order to help cover losses, such as customary revenues from events such as galas. While the property remained open for the public seeking outdoor recreation and refreshment, and the Museum reopened in July, it has been difficult to raise funds from donations in the usual way. With the generous support of many local artists, whose contributions to the auction are 100% intended to benefit the Museum, the sale will be the Museum's major fundraising event of the year.

Bidding opens September 1. Viewing of the works at the Manes Center of the Museum begins Tuesday September 7 and continues daily from 1-4 (or private viewing by appointment). Museum experts will be on hand to discuss the works and offer tips to collectors on how to bid in an auction. To enjoy a full catalogue of the works available including information on the artists, and to learn more about how to get into the art market with full confidence, visit nassaumuseum.org.

Artists

Irving Amen	Ethel H. Blum	Christo and Jeanne-	Corning Museum of
Miya Ando	Joan Branca	Claude	Glass
Doug Argue	André Auguste Charigny	Peter Clive	Susan Cushing
Seong Auh	Jules Chéret	Charles Clough	Salvador Dali
Shain Bard	Marvin Cherney	Endi Collado	Anahi DeCanio
Robert Beauchamp	Nicolai Cikovsky	Joe Constantino	Adolf Dehn
Barbara Bilotta		Raul Conti	Sir Jacob Epstein

Richard Serra Alex Ferrone Joseph Hirsch Robert Morris Meryl Feuer Barbara Hyman Takashi Murakami **David Alfaro Siqueiros** Joe Fig Jean Jansem Yoshitomo Nara **Hunt Slonem Tully Filmus** Frank Olt Cao Jun Moses Soyer P. Fogg Jeff Koons David Peikon Raphael Soyer Phetus - Victor Niosi Sam Francis Benjamin Kopman Maurice Sterne Helen Frankenthaler Rachelle Krieger Barbara Ernst Prey **Carol Summers** Johnny Friedlaender Geoffrey Kuzara George Thompson Anthony (Tony) Turano Ulrich Gambke Samuel David Lev-Pritchard Marilyn Turtz **Paul Georges** Landau Donald Roy Purdy Georges Vasseur Cody Giardina Jean Liberte Larry Rivers Susan Vecsey Roy Lichtenstein **Angel Grandaty** Julie Robinson Abby Youngs Weir Emilio Grau Sala Marc Maet **Emanuel Glicen Romano** Michael Wright Emilio Greco Christine Matthai Salvatore Romano **Andrew Wyeth** Jessica Tan Gudnason Lynn McCarty Jay Rosenblum Valerie Zeman Lena Gurr Allan McCollum Cornelis Ruhtenberg Glen Hansen Riko Emerich Mikeska Jim Sabiston Richard Heinrich Puneeta Mittal Ben Schonzeit

Nassau County Museum of Art is located at One Museum Drive in Roslyn Harbor. The museum is open Tuesday-Sunday, 11 a.m.-4:45 p.m. Admission to the Mansion is \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors (62 and above) and \$5 for students and children (4 to12). Media Contact: Charles Riley, (516) 484-9338 x 37, criley@nassaumuseum.org