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## **SOTHEBY'S ANNOUNCES HONG KONG SPRING SALES** **3 – 8 APRIL 2020**

Following Stellar 2019 Performance Leading All International Auction Houses  
For the Fourth Consecutive Year in Asia

**PRECEDED BY A MAJOR EXHIBITION OF  
CONTEMPORARY ART, EVENING SALES AND NEW YORK HIGHLIGHTS  
DURING HONG KONG ART BASEL WEEK**



*Left: Sanyu, Quatre Nus, 1950s, oil on Masonite, 100 by 122cm  
Right: Yoshitomo Nara, Keep Your Chin Up, 2001, acrylic on canvas, 194 by 259.3cm*

### **SPRING 2020 SALES WEEK**

**3 – 8 April**

**Hall 5, Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre**

### **PUBLIC EXHIBITION OF FEATURED HIGHLIGHTS**

**17 – 18 March**

**Grand Hyatt Hong Kong**

### **ASIA TRAVELLING EXHIBITIONS**

**Jakarta: 3 – 5 March**

**Singapore: 7 – 8 March**

**Shanghai: 11 – 12 March**

**Beijing: 14 – 15 March**

**Taipei: 21 – 22 March**

**Hong Kong, 14 January 2020** Sotheby's announces its Hong Kong Spring Sales to take place on 3 – 8 April 2020 at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre. Leading up to the six-day sales, a major exhibition of Contemporary Art, Evening Sales and New York highlights will be hosted at Grand Hyatt during Hong Kong Art Basel week, offering an early preview of top-quality masterpieces that will lead Sotheby's auctions this Spring.

**Kevin Ching, CEO of Sotheby's Asia**, comments: "Following a stellar year as Asia's market leader for the fourth year in a row, Sotheby's is keeping up the momentum with another exceptional Spring sales series. The consistently robust performance of our Modern and Contemporary Art sales truly speaks for our unrivalled sourcing and curatorial capabilities. We are particularly excited to showcase some of the remarkable works from the forthcoming sales in a public exhibition in March, in tandem with the vibrant art month, when art enthusiasts and collectors from around the world convene in Hong Kong."

### **SNEAK PEEK OF SPRING SALES HIGHLIGHTS (APRIL 2020)**



**Sanyu, *Quatre Nus***  
1950s, oil on masonite, 100 by 122 cm  
Estimate upon request

Paintings by Chinese émigré artist Sanyu depicting a group of female nudes rarely appear on the market, not least those on a grand scale. By the time Sanyu created *Quatre Nus* in the post-war 1950s, life and art for the artist were reaching new expressive peaks, his awe of the female nude, in all its vitality, providing the impetus for an extraordinary body of work that his audience has never seen before. *Quatre Nus* is arguably the most alluring of these masterpieces. For more details, please view separate press release [here](#).



**Yoshitomo Nara, *Keep Your Chin Up***  
2001, acrylic on canvas, 194 by 259.3 cm  
Estimate: HK\$18,000,000 – 28,000,000

Following Yoshitomo Nara's US\$25 million world record set by Sotheby's last autumn, over 5 times the previous world record, we present *Keep Your Chin Up* this Spring in Hong Kong. The monumental painting hails from Nara's pivotal and most celebrated early 2000's period and features a striking and rare composition featuring the subject in profile. Making its auction debut at Sotheby's Hong Kong, the highly representative *Keep Your Chin Up* was exhibited in numerous institutional exhibitions and encapsulates the iconic and universally resonant oeuvre of one of the greatest living contemporary artists of our generation.

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## **APPENDIX: SPRING 2020 SALES SCHEDULE**

3 April	Wine
4 April	Wine
5 April	Wine Modern Art - Evening Sale Modern & Contemporary Southeast Asian Art - Evening Sale
6 April	Contemporary Art - Evening Sale Modern Art - Day Sale Modern & Contemporary Southeast Asian Art - Day Sale Fine Classical Chinese Paintings
7 April	Contemporary Art - Day Sale Fine Chinese Paintings Magnificent Jewels and Jadeite
8 April	Important Watches Important Chinese Art

### **FOR MORE NEWS FROM SOTHEBY'S**

Sotheby's has been uniting collectors with world-class works of art since 1744. Sotheby's became the first international auction house when it expanded from London to New York (1955), the first to conduct sales in Hong Kong (1973), India (1992) and France (2001), and the first international fine art auction house in China (2012). Today, Sotheby's has a global network of 80 offices in 40 countries and presents auctions in 10 different salesrooms, including New York, London, Hong Kong and Paris. Sotheby's offers collectors the resources of *Sotheby's Financial Services*, the world's only full-service art financing company, as well as the collection, artist, estate & foundation advisory services of its subsidiary, *Art Agency, Partners*. Sotheby's also presents private sale opportunities in more than 70 categories, including S|2, the gallery arm of Sotheby's Global Fine Art Division, and three retail businesses: Sotheby's Wine, Sotheby's Diamonds, and Sotheby's Home, the online marketplace for interior design.

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