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## PHILLIPS' DECEMBER DESIGN SALES IN NEW YORK REALIZE \$8.7 MILLION

Moved by Beauty: Works by Lucie Rie from an Important Asian Collection, the First US Auction Dedicated to the Ceramist, Soars Over \$3 Million, Tripling the Low Estimate

Jean Royère's Iconic "Boule" Armchairs Lead the Design Sale at \$1.875 Million, Setting a New Record for the Model

New Auction Records Achieved for Giancarlo Valle, Eugène Vallin, and Katie Stout

New York, 11 December 2024

Moved by Beauty: Works by Lucie Rie Sale Total: \$3,237,865

Design Sale Total: \$5,478,371

Combined Sale Total: \$8,716,236 / £6,835,844 / €8,302,428

Lots Sold: 167 | Lots Offered: 173

Sold by Lot: 95% | Sold by Value: 96%



**Benjamin Green, Associate Specialist, Design, New York,** said, "It was an honor to host the first auction in the United States dedicated to the work of Lucie Rie, and the enthusiasm was very much felt in the room today. We're thrilled to have achieved a 100% sell-through rate, with a final total of \$3.2 million, more than triple the low estimate set for the sale. The results, combined with bidding participation from more than 20 countries, only reinforces the notion of Rie's enduring international appeal and the strength of the market for exceptional ceramics. The afternoon's Design Sale favored the designs of 20th-century masters, including Jean Royère, whose pair of iconic *Boule* chairs sold for more than three times the low estimate after a sustained five minutes of bidding in the room. Royère's *"Tour Eiffel" coffee table* and *Large "Tour Eiffel" console* also sold for nearly five times their low estimates – each setting the world auction record for the model – which serves as a reminder of the designer's continued resonance."

### Moved by Beauty: Works by Lucie Rie from an Important Asian Collection Top Ten Lots

Lots	Sold: 71   Lots Offered: 71	Sold by Lot: 1	00%   Sold by Value: 100%
Lot	Description	Estimate	Price Achieved
19	Lucie Rie, Footed bowl, circa 1978	\$60,000 - 80,000	\$422,910
14	Lucie Rie, Footed bowl, circa 1980	\$40,000 - 60,000	\$317,500
18	Lucie Rie, Footed bowl, circa 1976	\$60,000 - 80,000	\$190,500
3	Lucie Rie, Rare footed bowl, circa 1982	\$60,000 - 80,000	\$177,800
8	Lucie Rie, Footed bowl, circa 1976	\$30,000 - 50,000	\$177,800
17	Lucie Rie, Footed bowl, circa 1978	\$40,000 - 60,000	\$177,800
10	Lucie Rie, Footed bowl, circa 1982	\$40,000 - 60,000	\$158,750
25	Lucie Rie, Footed bowl, circa 1978	\$30,000 - 50,000	\$88,900
39	Lucie Rie, Rare deep bowl, circa 1960	\$20,000 - 30,000	\$82,550
13	Lucie Rie, <i>"Knitted" footed bowl,</i> circa 1980	\$25,000 - 30,000	\$78,740

#### Design Sale Top Ten Lots

Lots Sold: 96   Lots Offered: 104		Sold by Lot: 92%   Sold by Value: 94%	
Lot	Description	Estimate	Price Achieved
132	Jean Royère, <i>Pair of "Boule" also known as "Ours polaire" armchairs,</i> circa 1942 WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR MODEL	\$600,000 - 800,000	\$1,875,000
133	Jean Royère, "Tour Eiffel" coffee table, circa 1947 WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR MODEL	\$70,000 - 90,000	\$355,600
114	Charlotte Perriand, "En Forme" sideboard, circa 1964	\$300,000 - 400,000	\$342,900
135	Jean Royère, <i>Large "Tour Eiffel" console,</i> circa 1955 WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR MODEL	\$50,000 - 70,000	\$228,600
102	Jean Prouvé, <i>"Compas" table, model no. 512,</i> circa 1953	\$70,000 - 90,000	\$127,000
146	Eugène Vallin, Important dining suite, circa 1905	\$100,000 - 150,000	\$127,000
184	Philip LaVerne and Kelvin LaVerne, <i>Pair of "Spring Festival" side tables,</i> 1960s	\$12,000 - 18,000	\$114,300
117	Giancarlo Valle, "Kevin" sofa, 2020	\$6,000 - 8,000	\$114,300

113	Georges Jouve, Shark sculpture, circa 1957	\$70,000 - 90,000	\$107,950
109	Jean Prouvé, Panel with portholes, 1950s	\$50,000 - 70,000	\$101,600

#### **New Auction Records**

Lot	Description	Estimate	Price Achieved
117	Giancarlo Valle, <i>"Kevin" sofa,</i> 2020	\$6,000 - 8,000	\$114,300
	*previous record price: \$50,800 set in 2024		
146	Eugène Vallin, Important dining suite, 1905	\$100,000 - 150,000	\$127,000
	*previous record price: \$ 45,552 set in 2012		
204	Katie Stout, Unique "Double Girl" floor lamp, 2018	\$30,000 - 50,000	\$38,100
	*previous record price: \$6,096 set in 2024		

\*Lots 30, 57, 50, and 70 were sold after the lots closed, whilst the sale was ongoing, and are therefore included in the total sale result.

Exchange Rate on 11 December 2024: US\$1 = £0.7839, €0.9524, HK\$7.775

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