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PHILLIPS' OCTOBER PHOTOGRAPHS AUCTIONS ACHIEVE NEARLY $5.5 MILLION

Photographs Sales Show Demand for Quality Images and Set New Auction Records for a Variety of Artists

New York, 8-13 October

Sales Total: $5,486,757 / £4,138,940/ €4,898,860

Lots Sold: 249 | Lots Offered: 334 **Sold by Lot: 75% | Sold by Value: 80%**



Helmut Newton
Elsa Peretti as a Bunny, Costume by Halston, New York, 1975
Sold for $258,000



\深瀬昌久 Masahisa Fukase
Cape Erimo from 鴉 Ravens, 1976
Sold for $109,650

Sarah Krueger, International Specialist, Head of Department, and Chris Mahoney, Senior International Specialist, said "Building upon Phillips' strong results earlier this spring season, the success of our October live and online photographs auctions proved ongoing demand for photographic works by both master photographers and new luminaries. This season, we connected the global collecting community with important works by Helmut Newton, Irving Penn, Richard Avedon, Robert Mapplethorpe, Cindy Sherman, and Sally Mann, among others. We are also proud to have set new auction records for Mao Ishikawa, Casper Faassen, Elliott Erwitt, and Henry Gilpin, showcasing the demand for artists across the 20th and 21st centuries."

Top Ten Lots

Lot	Description	Estimate	Price Achieved
34	Helmut Newton, *Elsa Peretti as a Bunny, Costume by Halston, New York,* 1975	$200,000 – 300,000	$258,000
45	Helmut Newton, *Sie Kommen, Dressed and Naked, Paris,* 1981	$200,000 – 250,000	$245,100
46	Irving Penn, *Bee on Lips, New York,* 1995	$120,000 – 180,000	$167,700
32	Richard Avedon, *Dovima with elephants, Evening dress by Dior, Circque d'Hiver, Paris, August,* 1955	$120,000 – 180,000	$154,800
139	Sebastião Salgado, *Gold Mine,* 1986	$100,000 – 200,000	$129,000
48	Richard Avedon, *Marilyn Monroe, actress, New York City, 5-6-57,* 1957	$80,000 – 120,000	$129,000
28	Robert Mapplethorpe, *Irises,* 1987	$40,000 – 60,000	$121,260
12	深瀬昌久 Masahisa Fukase, *Cape Erimo from 鴉 Ravens,* 1976	$20,000 – 30,000	$109,650
161	Sally Mann, *The New Mothers,* 1989	$40,000 – 60,000	$103,200
11	深瀬昌久 Masahisa Fukase, *Kanazawa from 鴉 Ravens,* 1977	$30,000 – 50,000	$90,300

New Auction Records

Lot	Description	Estimate	Price Achieved
14	石川真生 Mao Ishikawa, *Untitled from 赤花 アカバナー [Akabanaa] Red Flower,* 1975-1977 **previous record price: $13,589 set in 2024*	$8,000 – 12,000	$16,770
19	Casper Faassen, *Madoka XXV I,* 2025 **previous record price: $2,610 set in 2021*	$10,000 – 15,000	$15,480
124	Elliott Erwitt, *California Kiss,* 1955 **previous record price: $35,000 set in 2012*	$20,000 – 30,000	$36,120
165	Henry Gilpin, *Highway 1, Big Sur, California,* 1963 **previous record price: $10,625 set in 2024*	$4,000 – 6,000	$10,965

**Lots 20, 65, and 160 were sold after the lot closed, whilst the sale was ongoing, and is therefore included in the total sale result.*
Exchange Rate on 13 OCTOBER 2026: US$1 = £0.75480, €0.89340, HK$7.848374

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