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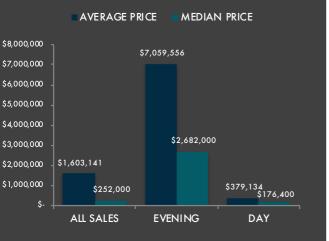
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## 21ST CENTURY & CONTEMPORARY ART NEW YORK, MAY 2021

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Christie's new recipe of merged sales for Post-War and Contemporary art under one 21st Century umbrella term brought them positive results. With only 2 unsold lots, the evening sale achieved \$210M, almost doubling its pre-sale low estimate. Standing nearly two meters tall, Basquiat's *In This Case* fetched \$93M, becoming the highlight lot of the night. It's previous 2002 auction result of this painting barely reached \$1M. Following the NFT craziness, *Cryptopunks* by larva Labs sold for \$14.5M, sailing the bid past its high estimate. The surprising lot of the night was Dana Schutz *The Fishe*rmen selling for +513% above its estimates in front of 1,390,270 viewers following the broadcast live.

Sotheby's four-and-a-half marathon auctions opened with 18 lots from the remarkable Marion collection. With only 4 bought-in lots, this evening auction achieved \$157 M. The sale set new records for Richard Diebenkorn, Kenneth Noland and Larry Rivers, the latter being auctioned +386% above its estimate.

On the second segment of the night, Sotheby's main contemporary art offering was even more robust. All the 32 offered lots were sold, excluding a David Hockney self-portrait and a major Morris Louis painting, both withdrawn in the last minute. Still, 47% of the lots were sold above its high estimate, realizing \$218.3 million. The successful sales of Basquiat and Keith Haring were almost eclipsed by the George Lucas acquisition of Colescott's Washington Crossing the Delaware; and the extraordinary result of Salman Toor's *The Arrival*, selling for \$867,000, almost +1070% above its estimate of \$60,000.



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CONTEMPORARY DAY





10	TOP	LOTS	SOLD

	Artist	Title	Venue	Sale Price
1	JEAN-MICHEL BASQUIAT	IN THIS CASE	CHRISTIE'S	\$ 93,105,000
2	JEAN-MICHEL BASQUIAT	VERSUS MEDICI	SOTHEBY'S	\$ 50,820,000
3	CY TWOMBLY	UNTITLED (ROME)	SOTHEBY'S	\$ 41,628,000
4	ANDY WARHOL	ELVIS 2 TIMES	SOTHEBY'S	\$ 37,032,000
5	CLYFFORD STILL	PH-1 25	SOTHEBY'S	\$ 30,712,500
6	RICHARD DIEBENKORN	OCEAN PARK #40	SOTHEBY'S	\$ 27,265,500
7	GERHARD RICHTER	ABSTRAKTES BILD	SOTHEBY'S	\$ 23,244,000
8	LARVA LABS	9 CRYPTOPUNKS	CHRISTIE'S	\$ 16,962,500
9	ROBERT COLESCOTT	GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER CROSSI	SOTHEBY'S	\$ 15,315,900
10	ROY LICHTENSTEIN	GIRL WITH BEACH BALL II	SOTHEBY'S	\$ 14,052,000
			TOTAL SALES	\$ 350,137,400

<sup>\*</sup>All prices are in USD