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*Brooklyn Artists Ball Auction*

*artnet Auctions* is proud to partner with the Brooklyn Museum to present the *Brooklyn Artists Ball Auction*, featuring works from important American Female Contemporary artists, such as Kiki Smith (b.1954), Judy Chicago (b.1939), Tara Donovan (b.1969), Mickalene Thomas (b.1971), and others. The sale includes 16 lots with estimates ranging from US$1000 to US$20,000, and a total estimated value of US$92,500 to US$120,000.
New York / Berlin / Paris, April 11, 2012—artnet Auctions and the Brooklyn Museum present the Brooklyn Artists Ball Auction, in conjunction with the museum’s annual gala, The Brooklyn Artists Ball, celebrating the fifth anniversary of the Elizabeth A. Sackler Center for Feminist Art on April 18, 2012. All proceeds from the event and auction benefit the Brooklyn Museum’s comprehensive education, exhibition, and outreach programs.

A highlight of the sale is Kiki Smith’s Shadow (2012), estimated from US$15,000 to US$20,000. Smith’s sense of human mortality interconnected with the natural world is demonstrated in this mixed media work on paper. As in much of her work, the imagery suggests the rotation in the cycle of birth, death, and whatever comes after.

Another important artist featured in this sale of Contemporary women artists is Mickalene Thomas, who is being honored with the Asher B. Durand award by the Brooklyn Museum on the night of the event. The two works Thomas has in the auction, Interior: Striped Foyer (2011), estimated from US$5,000 to US$7,000, and Madame Mama Bush in Black and White (2007), estimated from US$5,000 to US$7,000, explore the artist’s relationship with interiors and private moments.

Judy Chicago’s Nine Fragments from the Delta of Venus (suite of 9) (2004) and Aurel Schmidt’s Pretty Baby (2012) embrace the female body while using humor to create a dialogue on the nature of gender. Tara Donovan’s Untitled (2009) and Elliott Puckette’s Untitled (2012) both embrace a monochrome palette, yet have a controlled tension in their processes.


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