artnet Auctions presents The Many Faces of Asian Art sale

artnet Auctions is proud to present The Many Faces of Asian Art sale, featuring over 50 curated Asian Contemporary works in a variety of media. With a focus on portraiture by an exciting selection of artists from China, Korea, and Japan, lots are estimated from US$1,500 to US$90,000. Notable highlights include works by Liu Hong (Chinese, b.1956), Kim Dong-Yoo (Korean, b.1965), and Hiroyuki Matsuura (Japanese, b.1964), among others.

Liu Hong
Beauty Lip-Language No. 2, 2009
Oil on canvas
70.86 x 59 in.
Est. US$35,000–45,000
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New York / Berlin / Paris, May 14, 2012—artnet Auctions presents The Many Faces of Asian Art sale, focusing on portraiture by Asian Contemporary artists. An important highlight of the sale is Liu Hong’s Beauty-Lip Language No. 2 (2009), estimated from US$35,000 to US$45,000. Liu’s large-scale oil paintings celebrate the beauty and individuality of her female contemporaries, combining the tradition of Chinese ink painting with Contemporary iconography. Other featured Chinese artists include Feng Zhengjie, Huang Yan, The Luo Brothers, Ma Liuming, Zeng Fanzhi, Zhang Dali, among others.

The sale also features Kim Dong-Yoo’s Marilyn Monroe & John F. Kennedy (2007), estimated from US$40,000 to US $50,000. Functioning both aesthetically and conceptually, this painting depicts a close-up portrait of a glamorous, smiling Monroe, whose face is actually created from hundreds of thumbnail size portraits of United States president John F. Kennedy. Additional featured Korean artists include, Choi Xooang, Choo Yong-Wan, Shin Youngmi, and Chan-Hyo Bae.

Hiroyuki Matsuura’s Boxman (2007) is an exciting example of the artist’s anime-inspired acrylic figurative paintings, estimated from US$18,000 to US$20,000. Dynamic works by Japanese artists Ayako Rokkaku, and Maki Hosokawa, as well as notable photographs by Nobuyoshi Araki, will also be offered.


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