New York, April 3, 2018—On the heels of Banksy’s recent return to New York City, artnet Auctions is pleased to offer three works by the famed graffiti artist in *Prints & Multiples: The Premier Sale*, live for bidding now through April 17. The online auction is part of a series of five important sales focusing on different collecting categories that will run through mid-May.

Among the notable Banksy prints offered in this sale is *No Ball Games* (2009), an image that has appeared as a number of outdoor murals. The artist’s depiction of two children playfully tossing a street sign demonstrates the
unique blend of iconic imagery and irreverent humor that typifies Banksy’s oeuvre. This otherwise idyllic rendition of childhood innocence is undercut by the sign’s deadpan and ironic message: "No Ball Games."

This bright green impression of the print is signed and accompanied by a Certificate of Authenticity from Pest Control, the handling service that authenticates the enigmatic artist’s work.

artnet Auctions has established itself as a go-to destination for collectors of Banksy’s work and has broken multiple records for the artist, proving that market demand is strong and continuing to grow. Among these auction records was London, New York, Bristol (Heavy Weaponry) (2009), which artnet Auctions sold for $168,000 in November 2017, shattering the previous record of $107,077 achieved at a London auction house in 2007.

“The excitement over Banksy is evident in our print auctions,” says Jannah Greenblatt, senior specialist of Prints & Multiples at artnet Auctions. “Recent sales of Banksy prints have brought enthusiastic, nearly frenzied bidding. However, collectors of Banksy works are informed and market savvy—they know exactly what they’re buying, the nuances of each edition, and recent prices achieved.”

This work and numerous others are live for bidding April 3 through 17 in Prints & Multiples: The Premier Sale. The online auction showcases a curated selection of works by the most popular and in-demand artists on the market today, including Keith Haring, David Hockney, Helen Frankenthaler, Claes Oldenburg, Kara Walker, and John Baldessari. An exhibition of highlights from the sale, including Banksy’s No Ball Games, are on view in artnet’s Tribeca headquarters for the duration of the sale. Viewings are available by appointment.
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