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# A Cornucopia of Gallery Exhibitions and Auctions for Asia Week New York *Autumn 2023*, from September 14-22

New York: Asia Week New York is pleased to announce that Autumn 2023,

will run from September 14<sup>th to</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup> with online and in-person exhibitions–including works from nineteen international Asian art galleries and six auction houses–Bonhams, Christie's, Doyle, Heritage, iGavel, and Sotheby's. Ten of the galleries are simultaneously opening their doors to the public in New York, and the sales at the auction houses will be live and online.

To mark the opening of Asia Week New York, a special webinar titled *The Celestial City: Newport and China*, which will explore Newport's deep connections with China from the 18th century through the Gilded Age, will take place on Tuesday, September 12 at 5:00 p.m. Click here to register: <u>https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_ZQQ\_2SAPTPuSogYU-Broag</u>

Organized by category, here is a round-up of the highlights at the galleries:

#### Ancient and/or Contemporary Indian, Himalayan, and Southeast Asia

A large Indian Company School watercolor of a grey heron is one of the outstanding watercolors offered at **Oliver Forge and Brendan Lynch, Ltd.** When Lady Impey's ornithological albums, commissioned by her in Calcutta in the 1770s, were seen by the scientific community in England following her return around 1808, they caused a sensation. Never had such realistic images been seen and their reception was rightly lauded. Here, perhaps forty years later, the tradition has been perfected by artists responding to decades of British patronage. *Online only* 





**Kapoor Assets** presents *Religious Art: Exaltation through Expression*, featuring a fine gilt-bronze of Chakrasamvara and Vajrayogini. Their exhibition throws light on the fact that classical and ancient art has often, if not always, been created with the ardent purpose of religious worship. Human self-expression in this realm of art therefore takes the form of religious exaltation and underscores the existence of art as a shrine– not only for religious worship– but for introspection, solitude, and reflection through

profound indulgence. 34 East 67th Street

The showstopper at **Thomas Murray** is one of the greatest Himalayan masks of all time–a wrathful deity protector of the Buddhist doctrine, most likely Mahakala. *Online only* 



#### Ancient and/or Contemporary Chinese Art



Among the offerings at **Ralph M. Chait Galleries, Inc.** is this 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> century Fine Chinese Glazed Ribbed Jar with Handles from the Jin dynasty. Glazed overall in a beautiful deep brownish/ black glaze it is carefully delineated with vertical ribs in slip along the exterior.

16 East 52<sup>nd</sup> Street, 10<sup>th</sup> floor, for gallery hours, phone 212-397-2818



**Fu Qiumeng Fine Art** presents *Whispers of Elegance*, which shines a spotlight on the art of Chinese fans. This enchanting group of folding fans from the Republic era showcases joint creations by literati artists, such as Zhang Daqian (Chang Dai-Chien, 1899-1983), Pu Ru (1896-1963), Tao Lengyue (1895-1985), and Wang Fu'an

(1879-1960), among many others. This selection offers profound insights into the transformative interpretations, dialogues, and collaborations of traditional Chinese visual culture, deeply influenced by the vibrant intellectual and artistic movements of early 20th century China. 65 *East 80<sup>th</sup> Street* 

**INKstudio** presents *Grand Synthesis: The Extraordinary Flower-Landscape*, the debut solo exhibition for the flower and landscape painter Peng Kanglong in Mainland China (b.1962 in Hualien, Taiwan). In *Burning Flame*, Kanglong paints red blossoms within an ink



monochrome scene of leaves, foliage, rocks and flower blooms in shadow. The classically trained Peng Kanglong is the first ink artist to explore the artistic possibilities of integrating these formerly separate genres. *Online only* 



At **Kaikodo LLC** *Female Ghost with Spider Web* a haunting white-shrouded *yurei*, "faint spirit," or ghost, rises from the skeletal remains of her mortal body, the flames suggesting the cleansing fire of cremation. Her gaunt features, protruding teeth, and unkempt hair produce a chilling image of a spirit bent on vengeance and capable of the unimaginable. Equally striking are the borders of the painting which have been painted to represent the claustrophobic space of an enveloping spider web, suggesting visually that the ghost awaits her prey with the same implacable patience exhibited by the giant arachnid. *Online only* 

Among the twenty objects on view at **Zetterquist Galleries'** exhibition, *Pre-Song Dynasty Chinese Ceramics from American and Japanese Collections* is a Tang Dynasty *Sancai* tripod offering plate with an incised floral pattern of Persian influence and rare cobalt blue detailing. Ranging from Warring States Period (5<sup>th</sup> century BC) through Five Dynasties (10th century AD) all the artifacts are sourced from American and Japanese collections. *3 East 66<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 2B* 

Ancient and/or Contemporary Japanese Art



This provocative print titled, *Kiseru* at The **Art of Japan**, is featured in *Ten Types in the Physiognomic Study of Women*, by Kanso Utamaro. The woman here has paused in the middle of arranging her hair to have a quick smoke from her *kiseru* (pipe). Smoking was introduced in Japan in the late 1500's, and with expensive tobacco and finely crafted paraphernalia, smoking became a signal of high status. *Online only* 

**Dai Ichi Arts, Ltd.** presents *Object, Vessel: Ikebana Sogetsu, Yasuhara Kimei, and the Art of Japanese Ceramics*, an exhibition that focuses on the symbiotic relationship between the ceramic works of Japanese potter Yasuhara Kimei and the Ikebana Sogetsu school in Japan. Little known in the west, Yasuhara Kimei (1906-1980) was one of Japan's most avant-garde ceramic artists of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. His ceramic work inspired the innovative

floral artists of the famous Ikebana Sogetsu school and produced a transcendental impact on modern potters and Ikebana artists alike in Japan that has lasted generations. This exhibition is the first to present an extensive collection of Yasuhara Kimei's profound ceramic vessels alongside his contemporaries in the west. *18 East 64<sup>th</sup> Street, by appointment* 

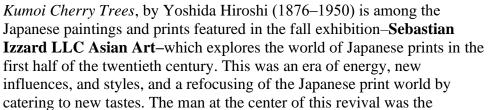


Among the prints offered at **Egenolf Gallery Japanese Prints** is Kawase Hasui's *Small Boat in a Spring Shower. Online only* 





**Ippodo Gallery** presents *Skin and Body: Crazed Vessels by Kodai Ujiie*, the avant-garde artist's first solo exhibition in the United States. Each of his 46 most recent ceramics, including large jars, vases, and small vessels relishes in the delight of living, converting clay into an analogy of vital flesh—skin, blood vessels, and scales—with a renewed sense of body image. 32 East 67<sup>th</sup> Street



entrepreneurial genius Watanabe Shōzuburō (1885–1962), whose publications form the greatest portion of the works in this exhibition. Deeply interested in Edo period ukiyo-e, Watanabe made it his project to rescue the art form, which had fallen somewhat out of fashion. *October 4-27, 17 East 76<sup>th</sup> Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor* 

*TEMPEST: New Sculpture by Fujikasa Satoko*, the latest highly anticipated exhibition of new sculptures by extraordinary artist Fujikasa Satoko, marks her third solo outing at **Joan B Mirviss LTD** and her first since 2019. Evocative of billowing clouds or crashing waves or just pure movement, Fujikasa Satoko's gravity-defying sculptures are firmly within



the realm of not only clay sculpture but of international contemporary art. 39 East 78<sup>th</sup> Street,  $4^{th}$  floor.



**Onishi Gallery** will feature the work of Murose Kazumi, named a "Living National Treasure" in 2008, Kazumi is one of Japan's leading exponents of *urushi* (lacquer), an art and craft tradition dating back nearly ten millennia. He is admired above all for his mastery of *maki-e* and *raden*, two time-honored techniques that he often uses in combination as exemplified in this rectangular wooden document box decorated in lacquer with *maki-e* (sprinkled metals) and *raden* (shell inlay). While deeply rooted in tradition, Murose constantly

explores fresh ways of expressing the beauty of *urushi* and shell. 521 West 26<sup>th</sup> Street, by appointment

**Scholten Japanese Art** presents *KAZUMA/KOIZUMI: Chasing Modernity*, which juxtaposes the work of two modern printmakers, Oda Kazuma (1881-1956), and Kishio Koizumi (1893-1945), both prominent members of the *sosaku hanga* (creative print) movement who shared an interest in depicting daily life in views of modern Japan, particularly the restoration and



transformation of Tokyo following the 1923 earthquake. One of the highlights on view will be an oversized richly hued color

lithograph by Oda Kazuma illustrating a night view with two musicians standing on a verandah overlooking an inky blue river with glowing lanterns behind them and lights twinkling in the background. *145 West 58th Street, Suite 6D, appointment appreciated* 



**TAI Modern's** exhibition takes a deep dive into the Living National Treasure, Fujinuma Noboru's lacquered bamboo cylinders. These cylinders are an ode to the organic form of the bamboo node itself, taking years from initial harvest to final piece. After a complex process of preparing the bamboo culm and layering *urushi* lacquer, Fujinuma sands away the upwards of 100 layers to reveal new compositions of color. *Online only* 

**Thomsen Gallery** will feature the great avant-garde masters Shiryū Morita (1912-1998) and Yuichi Inoue (1916-1985), in *Post War and Contemporary Japanese Art*. These two artists' work straddle East and West, combining dramatic, performative gesture and near-abstraction with the rich lexical and graphic heritage of the Chinese script. Morita's *Ryu*,



through abstraction and movement, has virtually assumed the physical shape of a dragon. Alongside calligraphy by these masters, works by the painter Minol Araki, the premier paper artist Kyoko Ibe and by the renowned ceramic artist Sueharu Fukami will be shown. 9 East  $63^{rd}$  Street  $2^{nd}$  floor

Hiroshi Yanagi Oriental Art (Information unavailable at press time). Online only

Ancient and Contemporary Korean Art



**HK Art and Antiques LLC** presents the work of two Korean artists, Tchah Sup Kim and Cho Yong-ik, who were friends for many years, both of whom passed away last year. In the 1960s Korean artists entered a new era. After decades of political and economic turbulence, South Korea found itself a member of an interconnected international landscape, and artists were inundated with new ideas. Western influences made their marks on Korean canvases,

while Asian and particularly Korean modernism developed rapidly. It was in these circumstances that Kim and Cho began their artistic careers, and formed a friendship that lasted the rest of their lives. *49 East 78<sup>th</sup> Street, by appointment* 

## About Asia Week New York

The collaboration of top-tier international Asian art galleries, the major auction houses-Bonhams, Christie's, Doyle, Heritage Auctions, iGavel, and Sotheby's–and numerous museums and Asian cultural institutions, Asia Week New York is a week-long celebration filled with simultaneous gallery open houses, Asian art auctions as well as numerous museum exhibitions, lectures, and special events. Participants from the United States and countries abroad unveil an extraordinary selection of museum-quality treasures from China, India, the Himalayas, Southeast Asia, Tibet, Nepal, Japan, and Korea.

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#### Ancient and/or Contemporary Indian, Himalayan, and Southeast Asian Art

Grey Heron (*ardea cinerea*) Company School, Calcutta, circa 1820 Opaque watercolor on paper, with pencil, pen and grey ink, watermarked J WHATMAN, inscribed in Persian with the name of the bird, anjan 21 5/8 by 26 ¾ in.; 50.5 by 68 cm. Credit: Oliver Forge and Brendan Lynch, Ltd.

Chakrasamvara and Vajrayogini Nepal, 15th century Gilt copper 8 1/2 in. (22 cm.) high Credit: Kapoor Galleries

Gonpo Buddhist Mask with Skulls Nepal, Tibet or Bhutan Wood, pigment 18th / 19th Century 11 x 9.25 x 7.5 in (28 x 23.5 x 18.5 cm) Credit: Thomas Murray

Ancient and/or Contemporary Chinese Art

Zhang Daqian (Chang Dai-Chien) *Mt. E'Mei amid Cloud and Mist* ink on gold paper, folding fan Credit: Fu Qiumeng Fine Art

Fine Chinese Glazed Ribbed Jar with Handles Jin dynasty, 12th /13th century

Glazed overall in a beautiful deep brownish/ black glaze with carefully delineated vertical ribs in slip along the exterior. Of particularly fine quality. Height: 4 ½ inches (11.5 cm.) Credit: Ralph M. Chait Galleries

Peng Kanglong Burning Fire, 2023 Ink and color on paper 71 x 142 cm Credit: INKstudio

Anonymous (2nd half 19th century). "Female Ghost with Spider Web" Hanging scroll, ink and color on paper  $86.0 \times 26.5$  cm. (33 7/8 × 10 3/8 in.) Credit: Kaikodo LLC

Tang *Sancai* Tripod Offering Plate 24 cm Credit: Zetterquist Galleries

Ancient and/or Contemporary Japanese Art

Kanso Utamaro Kiseru (Pipe) From the series: Ten Types in the Physiognomic Study of Women Signed Kanso Utamaro (Utamaro the Physiognomist) 1802-03 Publisher Tsuru-ya Kiemon Credit: The Art of Japan

Yasuhara Kimei *Flower Large Vase* With Signed Wood Box Ceramic with Matte Black Glaze and Incised Motifs H11.9" x Diameter 12.5" H30.2 x Diameter 31.7 cm Credit: Dai Ichi Arts, Ltd.

Kawase Hasui (1883-1957) *Small Boat in a Spring Shower*, 1920 Original nagaban (oversized) version 27.2 x 48 cm Credit: Egenolf Gallery Japanese Prints

Kodai Ujiie Oribe Lacquer Large Jar 2023 Ceramic H17 3/4 x W17 3/4 x D18 1/8 in H45 x W45 x D46 cm Weight 24.3kg Credit: Ippodo Gallery

Yoshida Hiroshi (1876–1950) *Kumoi Cherry Trees (Kumoi zakura)* Color woodblock print: 23 x 29<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> in. (58.4 x 74 cm); 1926; signed: *Yoshida* (in brush), *Hiroshi Yoshida* (bottom left margin in pencil); sealed: *Hiroshi*; publisher: self-published (*jizuri*) Credit: Sebastian Izzard LLC Asian Art

Fujikasa Satoko (b. 1980) *Updraft* 2023 Stoneware with white slip glaze 19 x 28 x 17 3/8 in. Joan B Mirviss LTD Photo Credit: Richard Goodbody

Murose Kazumi (b. 1950), Living National Treasure Nagatebako (Rectangular Document Box) titled *Chidō* (Telluric Motion), 2022 Wood decorated in lacquer with *maki-e* (sprinkled metals) and *raden* (shell inlay)  $5 \times 5 \ 3/4 \times 11$  in. ( $12.8 \times 14.8 \times 28$  cm) Credit: Onishi Gallery

Oda Kazuma (1881-1956), *Musicians on a Verandah with Lanterns*, ca. 1927, Color lithograph, 23 1/4 by 18 3/8 in., 59.2 by 46.6 in., Credit: Scholten Japanese Art

Fujinuma Noboru Living National Treasure *Lacquered Bamboo Cylinder (312)*, 2019 Moso bamboo, lacquer 25 x 6 x 5 in Credit: TAI Modern

Shiryū Morita (1912-1998)  $Ry\overline{u}$  (Dragon), 1985 Ink on paper, mounted as two-panel folding screen Size  $62^{34}$  x 100 inches (159.7 x 253.7 cm Credit: Thomsen Gallery

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Korean Ancient and/or Contemporary Art

Cho Yong Ik (1934-2023) 70-62, 1970 Oil on canvas 46 x 56 in. (117 x 117 cm Credit: HK Art & Antiques Ltd.