

PHILLIPS NAMES DIANNE BATISTA AS HEAD OF JEWELS IN NEW YORK

New Leadership Reinforces Longterm Vision for Phillips' Jewels Department



NEW YORK – 3 SEPTEMBER 2025 – Phillips is pleased to announce the appointment of Dianne Batista as Head of Jewels, New York, Senior Vice President, and Senior Specialist. With nearly four decades of experience spanning auction houses, luxury retail, and consultancy, Ms. Batista brings deep market insight and a broad network across the global jewelry industry.

Benoît Repellin, Phillips' Worldwide Head of Jewellery, said, “Dianne joins Phillips at a pivotal moment of growth for our Jewels department. Her extensive expertise — ranging from auctions and luxury sales to consulting for prestigious jewelry houses — makes her uniquely positioned to lead our efforts in the Americas. In her new role, she will be instrumental in shaping our regional strategy, sourcing exceptional property, and strengthening relationships with collectors and connoisseurs. Dianne’s appointment underscores our commitment to excellence and our ambition to further elevate Phillips’ global presence in the jewelry market.”

As Head of Department and Senior Specialist, Ms. Batista will lead the New York Jewels team, overseeing the sourcing and evaluation of property for both live and online auctions. She will also drive long-term growth strategies and expand Phillips’ footprint in the Americas through enhanced client engagement and market development. Phillips’ Jewels auction totals in 2024 rose by more than 50% year-over-year, following the successful launch of Jewels auctions in Geneva in 2023. Ms. Batista’s appointment further reinforces Phillips’ commitment to this dynamic and growing collecting category.

Phillips is now inviting consignments for the upcoming New York Jewels auction on 11 December 2025. The sale will feature a curated selection of exceptional pieces spanning antique, vintage, and contemporary designs from renowned houses and independent makers. Interested consignors are encouraged to contact Phillips' Jewels team for a complimentary valuation.

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