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Phillips London Photographs Auction on 20 May To Be Led By Peter Beard's Portrait of Francis Bacon in ULTIMATE

Further Highlights Include Masterworks by Saul Leiter and Fernell Franco as well as a Selection of Works by South African Artists David Goldblatt, Pieter Hugo and Zanele Muholi



Peter Beard

Francis Bacon on his roof at 80 Narrow Street, London (soon to be lost gambling), during the dead elephant interviews, March, 1972 Estimate £80,000 - 120,000

LONDON - 28 APRIL 2021 – Phillips is pleased to announce highlights ahead of the upcoming London Photographs auction. The sale will be led by ULTIMATE featuring exclusive photographs from artists spanning 8 countries and nearly 50 years including Peter Beard's unique, oversized work showcasing his long-time friend Francis Bacon, who will be the focus of a major exhibition to open at the Royal Academy in January 2022. Further highlights of ULTIMATE include cityscapes by Japanese artists Naoya Hatakeyama and Sohei Nishino and self-portraits by Tania Franco Klein and auction newcomer Lucia Fainzilber. The sale will also include works from South African artists David Goldblatt, Pieter Hugo and Zanele Muholi, currently the focus of a major survey at Tate Modern. The livestreamed Photographs auction will take place at 2pm BST on Thursday 20 May at 30 Berkeley Square, London.

Yuka Yamaji, Head of Photographs, Europe, and Rachel Peart, Head of Department, London, said, "We are delighted to present the 13th edition of ULTIMATE this spring which will feature 11 exceptional works available for sale only at Phillips. From Saul Leiter's New York, Fernell Franco's Cali and David Goldblatt's Johannesburg, all of which were captured in the 1970s, to large-scale works made in the last decade including our cover lot *Diorama Map London* by Sohei Nishino, our curation celebrates city portraits. We are also thrilled to present two fresh-to-market works by Latin American artists Tania Franco Klein who makes her debut at Phillips this May, and auction

newcomer Lucia Fainzilber. Further highlights of our May sale include Peter Beard's *Lion Pride* and a selection of photographs by Diane Arbus, Richard Avedon, and Helmut Newton. We look forward to welcoming visitors to view the sale in person in our gallery and online this May."



Saul Leiter Snow, February 1970 Estimate £15,000 – 25,000



Fernell Franco Interiores, 1970-1975 Estimate £10,000 - 15,000



Sohei Nishino
Diorama Map London, 2010
Estimate £50,000 - 70,000



David Goldblatt
Shop assistant, Orlando West, Soweto, 1972
Estimate £15,000 - 25,000



Tania Franco Klein

Plane (Self-portrait) from Proceed To The Route, 2018

Estimate £10,000 – 15,000

Auction: 20 May 2021, 2pm BST Auction viewing: 14-20 May 2021 Location: 30 Berkeley Square, London

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