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# Exceptional Results Achieved Consigned in Australia Sold in London and New York

Russian Pictures | London 6 June 2017

Important Design | New York 6 June 2017



MARIA PERGAY, BORN 1930, "Flying Carpet" Daybed (circa 1968). Sold for USD \$87,500 (AUD \$117,063) June 2017 in New York

The market for international works remains strong with Sotheby's Australia facilitating the sale of two paintings by Russian artist Ivan Fedorovich Choultsé in London and a daybed by Maria Pergay in New York. Consigned from private collections in Melbourne and Sydney, these works were assessed by international colleagues and consigned to Sotheby's London's *Russian Pictures* sale and Sotheby's New York's *Important Design* auction.

'We are delighted with the outstanding results achieved for works consigned to Sotheby's London and New York', said Geoffrey Smith, Chairman of Sotheby's Australia. 'It is through our close relationship with Sotheby's worldwide that we can achieve the highest possible results for our Australian clients.'

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Paris based designer Maria Pergay fled Romania for France at the start of World War II. Following her studies in costume, set design, and sculpture, Pergay worked as a shop window designer and eventually opened her own studio in the Marais district where she crafted works in silver and furniture. Her exploration in furniture design evolved into a passion for creating objects in stainless steel. Her iconic designs in stainless steel include *"Flying Carpet" Daybed* (circa 1968) which sold in New York for USD \$87,500 (AUD \$117,063) (Estimate USD \$80,000-120,000 AUD \$107,029-160,544, lot 123, pictured previous).

Russian born artist Ivan Fedorovich Choultsé was an accomplished and highly regarded painter, with some of his works collected by family members of the Tsar. When political unrest occurred in Russia, Choultsé migrated to France, and subsequently exhibited in the United Kingdom and the United States of America. In London, with strong bidding, *Moonlit Night* realised £22,500 (AUD \$38,907) (Estimate GBP £12,000-18,000 AUD \$20,750-31,125, lot 44) and *Sunset Over a Snowy Landscape* 1923 sold over double the low estimate for £56,250 (AUD \$97,267) (estimate GBP £20,000-30,000 AUD \$34,584-51,876, lot 45, pictured).



IVAN FEDOROVICH CHOULTSÉ 1877-1932, *Sunset Over a Snowy Landscape* 1923. Sold for GBP £56,250 (AUD \$97,267) June 2017 in London

## AT A GLANCE

Consigned in Australia – Sold in London  
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IVAN FEDOROVICH CHOULTSÉ 1877-1932  
*Moonlit Night*  
oil on canvas  
61 x 50 cm  
Estimate GBP £12,000-18,000 (AUD \$20,750-31,125)  
Sold for GBP £22,500 (AUD \$38,907) June 2017

IVAN FEDOROVICH CHOULTSÉ 1877-1932  
*Sunset Over a Snowy Landscape* 1923  
oil on canvas  
55 x 65 cm  
Estimate GBP £20,000-30,000 (AUD \$34,584-51,876)  
Sold for GBP £56,250 (AUD \$97,267) June 2017

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MARIA PERGAY, BORN 1930  
*"Flying Carpet" Daybed* (circa 1968)  
stainless steel and leather upholstery  
73.7 x 298.5 x 100 cm  
Estimate USD \$80,000-120,000 (AUD \$107,029-160,544)  
Sold for USD \$87,500 (AUD \$117,063) June 2017

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