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Australian Modern Furniture Comes of Age with Record Price at Sotheby's Australia

AUCTION IN SYDNEY 20 MARCH 2019



SCHULIM KRIMPER 1893-1971, *Desk* (1955). Sold for \$84,500 March 2019..

Fierce bidding on a modern masterpiece resulted in a record price for Schulim Krimper at Sotheby's Australia's March sale *Collections: Important Asian, Australian & European Arts & Design*, with the highly prized desk realising \$84,500 (estimate \$20,000-30,000). The select collection of Australian and international arts and design achieved a result of \$1,416,420, an overall result of 122% sold by value. Amongst a number of hotly contested items was Lot 17, the huanghuali square table, selling for \$85,000 (estimate \$20,000-30,000), while a highlight of the fine Australian and international art was the bidding frenzy for Timmy Payungka Tjapangati's *Ngapa Tjkurrpa (Water Dreaming)* which realised \$61,000 (estimate \$15,000-20,000).

There was strong interest in the collection of four H.J. Johnstone paintings repatriated to Australia from the United States of America, with the major work, *A Billabong in the Goulburn Valley, Victoria, Australia*, realising \$97,600 (estimate \$80,000-100,000).



H.J. JOHNSTONE 1835-1907, *A Billabong in the Goulburn Valley, Victoria, Australia* 1878. Sold for \$97,600 March 2019.



An Impressive Embroidered Silk and Ivory-Inset Carved Wood Four-Panel Screen Late Qing Dynasty. Sold for \$85,400 March 2019.

Competitive bidding from both Australia and overseas resulted in the Qing dynasty huanghuali square table realising \$85,000, (more than twice the estimate of \$20,000-30,000).



A Huanghuali Square Table Qing Dynasty. Sold for \$85,400 March 2019.



The *Flame Leaper* generated interest both in Australia and overseas realising \$73,200 on the night (estimate \$60,000-80,000).

FERDINAND PREISS 1882-1942 *Flame Leaper*, circa 1935.
Sold for \$73,200 March 2019.

Timmy Payungka Tjapangati's *Ngapa Tjkurrpa (Water Dreaming)* generated a fierce competitive bidding to realise \$61,000 (more than four times the estimate of \$15,000-20,000).



TIMMY PAYUNGKA TJAPANGATI CIRCA 1942-2000, *Ngapa Tjkurrpa (Water Dreaming)* (1972). Sold for \$61,000 March 2019.

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AT A GLANCE

Collections: Important Asian, Australian & European Arts & Design

Auction in Sydney, 20 March 2019, 6 pm, The Hughenden, 14 Queen Street, Woollahra

Lots on offer: 211

Total sold: \$1,416,420 (including buyer's premium)

Sold by volume: 56%

Sold by value: 122%

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