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# TIANCHENG INTERNATIONAL JEWELLERY AND JADEITE AUCTION TO TAKE PLACE ON 7 DEC 2014 AUTUMN GLITTER OF JEWELS



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**HONG KONG, 10 Nov 2014** Tiancheng International Jewellery and Jadeite Autumn Auction 2014 will be held on 7 December 2014, 1pm and 6pm, at its headquarters at 30/F Bank of China Tower, 1 Garden Road, Central, Hong Kong. This autumn, Tiancheng International proudly presents **over 350 lots of finest jewellery, estimated approximately HK\$530million/US\$68million**. The leading jadeite category is highlighted by a magnificent jadeite and diamond pendent necklace and matching ring comprising eleven rich emerald green jadeite cabochons, which are all phenomenal with captivating translucency and finest texture. Apart from green jadeites, there is a feast of fine natural lavender jadeite necklaces, bangles and rings spanning from a wide range of attractive prices and unparalleled quality. Tiancheng International also amasses distinctive pieces from top jewellery designers like Alessio Boschi, which provides connoisseurs with a spectacular acquisition opportunity.

As for western jewellery, Tiancheng International will introduce a number of avant-garde jewellery designs to further accentuate the consummate aesthetics of jewellery connoisseurs. Amongst them are an emerald and diamond necklace, a pair of 41.06-carat natural emerald and diamond 'Lotus Flower' earrings and a natural conch pearl and Columbian emerald and diamond 'Flower Blossom' necklace. On top of that, a splendid range of exquisite items will also shine in the auction, including a 50.40-carat Sri Lankan cat's-eye chrysoberyl and diamond ring entitled *The Golden Globe*, a 10.88-carat unheated Kashmir 'Cornflower Blue' sapphire ring, a pair of 3.53 and 3.19-carat Burmese Mogok 'Pigeon's Blood' ruby earrings by Harry Winston, and a 14.35-carat Columbian emerald ring, all of which are natural beauties without treatment.

**Mr. Stewart Young, Director of Tiancheng International's Jewellery Department**, remarks, "Being an explorative and innovative auction house, Tiancheng International has been devoting to presenting our valued collectors a rich variety of jadeite and jewels. In view of the robust market and avid demand for high-end jadeite in Asia, we are honoured to present a set of **magnificent jadeite and diamond pendent necklace and matching ring**. Each of the jadeite cabochons exudes exceptional translucency, which is a rare found in the market. On top of that, we will also showcase a vast array of jewels with high potential in terms of investment and collection value, such as ***The Night Horizon*, a 55.01-carat natural unheated Burmese Mogok 'Royal Blue' sapphire and diamond ring**. As it is entitled, *The Night Horizon* possesses a proud and incredible royal blue colour, which is significantly known as the most delicate colour. Leaving an impression just like the horizon of an elegant sky, this unrivalled sapphire will surely be a sought-after treasure in the auction."

## OPULENT JADEITE

### Top Jadeite

#### Magnificent Natural Jadeite and Diamond Pendent Necklace; and Matching Ring

##### Estimate on Request

Among all jadeite jewelery, the cabochon necklace is by far the rarest due to the wastage involved in fashioning each cabochon and the preminent craftsmanship required. Top quality jadeite cabochons possess unparalleled colour and texture, complimented by excellent symmetry and highly saturate green hue. This magnificent jadeite and diamond pendent necklace and matching ring comprising eleven intense emerald green jadeite cabochons. In *Treatise on Rites and Music of The Book of Han* wrote, "The finest jade radiates supremacy". Of captivating translucency and fine texture, every cabochon emanates spectacular sheen, with size measuring up to 25.10 x 20.39 x 8.55mm. It is extremely exquisite to match eleven full-bodied cabochons of similar size and luminous



saturation, making this an astonishing treasure of impeccable quality. This demi-parure is the first jadeite jewellery at auction that offers a naming right. The successful buyer could give a unique name to this spectacular highlight.



#### **'The Link of Blessings'**

**Magnificent Natural Imperial Green Jadeite, Red Jadeite and Diamond Necklace**

**Estimate : HK\$ 30,000,000–40,000,000 / US\$ 3,850,000–5,120,000**

Apart from classic green jadeite, the red jadeite garners newfound popularity in the jewellery business. Due to weathering, tectonic shifts of riverbeds and corrosion from underground liquids, the jadeite reserves are being oxidised by iron from the surrounding soil to gain a red colour tone. The red hues mainly appear on the outer surface of the jadeite boulders, which is insufficient for carving jadeite beads. However, the jadeite boulder of this red jadeite is extraordinarily imbued with the rare colour 'root', making it perfect for jadeite beads. This jadeite necklace meticulously matches the impressive red jadeite and enticing green jadeite as a double-strand, which brings an avant-garde and unique design to jadeite. The old-mine jadeite carries the most superior imperial green colour with impressive translucency, whilst the red jadeite radiates flawlessly without any indications of impregnation. Together with the glistening white diamonds, this treasure is a true embodiment of jadeite perfection.

Beside the necklace is the **Natural Jadeite and Diamond 'Dragonfly' Brooch** ( **Estimate : HK\$ 600,000–800,000 / US\$ 78,000–103,000** ) , which consists of imperial green jadeite cabochons of bewitchingly matching colour and texture. The body of the dragonfly is abundantly inlaid with cluster of diamonds weighing 14.30 carats, creating a fusion of Chinese and European culture.

#### **Natural Jadeite 'Bamboo' and Diamond Pendant**

**Estimate : HK\$ 22,000,000–30,000,000 / US\$ 2,850,000–3,850,000**

To the Orientals, bamboo symbolises tenacious life, modesty and upmost morality. Radiating a saturated green hue within a sturdy thickness, this jadeite pendant is an avatar of Chinese culture heritage, making it a masterpiece not to be missed in this auction.



### **Pair of Jadeite and Diamond Pendent Earrings**

**Estimate : HK\$ 6,000,000–8,000,000 / US\$ 770,000–1,030,000**

Plume fasteners were headwear accessories made for the most senior government officials of the Qing dynasty. Exclusive to that regime, they are extremely rare nowadays. This fine pair of jadeite earrings consists of two jadeite plaques from the same plume fastener, which has been passed down through successive generations within a family. Suffused with intense green hue, the



jadeite is adorned with diamonds in a simple yet elegant design. Highly prized for the translucency and richness, the jadeite reflects the lofty rank held by the first-grade court official who owned the fastener. An important historical provenance, combined with an elegant modern design, underline the exceptionally high collectible value of this lot.

### **Designer's Jadeite**

**Natural Jadeite, Icy Jadeite and Diamond Pendent Necklace; and Matching Ring, Alessio Boschi**

**Estimate : HK\$ 2,500,000–3,500,000 / US\$ 320,000–450,000**

Every jewellery piece from prominent designer Alessio Boschi tells a story either inspired by nature or by a heritage background, creating a sense of uniqueness and originality. This suite is a typical example of his incorporation of colour and subtle articulation with multi-functionality. Composing of fine jadeite cabochons exuding high translucency and considerable thickness while the pendant is detachable for separate wearing, the suite stands as a true combination of versatile functionality and collection value.



### **Other Jadeite Treasures**

**Natural Lavender Jadeite, Jadeite and Diamond Necklace**

**Estimate : HK\$ 6,500,000–8,500,000 / US\$ 833,300–1,090,000**

This lavender jadeite necklace exudes femininity through its intense lavender purple hue, and further complemented by delicate emerald green jadeite triple-hoops. Coinciding with each other, the graceful purple and enchanting green delineates the natural harmonious beauty.

Another **Pair of Bi-Coloured Lavender Jadeite Bangles** ( Estimate : **HK\$ 8,000,000–12,000,000 / US\$ 1,030,000–1,540,000** ) is set to impress collectors with its romantic lavender and cream white colour. Its remarkable lucidity, complemented by the scrumptious texture, makes it an eminent treasure denoting the Chinese auspicious notion that good things come in pairs.



#### **Natural Icy Jadeite 'Toad' and Diamond Pendant**

**Estimate : HK\$ 800,000–1,200,000 / US\$ 103,000–155,000**

Since the ancient times, three-legged toad has been known as a mythical creature that brings fortune. This toad pendant is delicately carved into minute details with clear icy jadeite of soft yellowish green tone. Seeing the arresting sheen at the back of the toad, one can feel its vivaciousness, bringing good fortune to the connoisseur.

## WESTERN JEWELLERY



**'The Night Horizon'**

#### **55.01-Carat Natural Unheated Burmese Mogok 'Royal Blue' Sapphire and Diamond Ring**

**Estimate : HK\$ 28,000,000–35,000,000 / US\$ 3,600,000–4,500,000**

Originated from the Greek word “sappheiros”, the sapphire is looked upon as one of the four most precious gemstones present in this world. As the sapphire symbolises royalty, nobility and sincerity, it had a significant role in the history and religions of many countries. It performs the role of a guardian gem in Ancient Greece and Rome, believed to have possessed a mysterious link between heaven and Earth. The sapphire is valued by Buddhists as a gem which gives Spiritual Light, bringing peace and happiness to its owner. Meanwhile in the Jewish religion, it was described as a seal-stone in the ring of King Solomon. According to Exodus XXIV.10, the sapphire was referred to as: “There was under his feet as it were a paved work of sapphire stone, and as it were the body of heaven in his

dearness.” From the beliefs of the Ancient Greek to the many religions, a conclusion can be drawn stating that the sapphire is highly respected gemstone, representing morality and faith.

*The Night Horizon* is a beautifully rare sapphire, with an extraordinary size. It gives off a proud, incredible royal blue colour which makes it seem unreachable. In usual, archer cut is scarcely used in gems as it has been widely known to reveal the tiniest flaws. However, due to the finest material, the effects on *The Night Horizon* are the complete opposite; its desirable allurements are further emphasized with this special cut. Adhering an exceptional aura and a charm that no one is able to resist, *The Night Horizon* is an extremely incomparable gift from nature and a dream gem that comes ‘once-in-a-life-time’.

**A 10.88-Carat Natural Unheated Kashmir ‘Cornflower Blue’ Sapphire and Diamond Ring (Estimate : HK\$ 10,000,000–15,000,000 / US\$ 1,280,000–1,900,000)** is another luxuriant sensation. Weighed 10.88 carats, the natural unheated sapphire is mined from the historic deposit of Kashmir. The distinctive vibrant ‘Cornflower Blue’ colour and the signature ‘velvety’ texture caused by the inclusion of silk leaves an indelible imprint to everyone. Further flanked by white diamonds, this ring is truly the *crème de la crème* of Kashmir sapphires.



#### **14.35-Carat Natural Unheated Colombian Emerald and Diamond Ring**

**Estimate : HK\$ 7,800,000–9,800,000 / US\$ 1,000,000–1,260,000**

Being praised ‘The King of Emerald’, this natural emerald is hailed from Columbia, a world-renowned region for emeralds. Weighing 14.35 carats and free of oil treatment, the emerald of such mesmerizing green colour is flanked by white diamonds totalling 1.95 carats, glorifying the resplendent beauty of the emerald.



#### **Pair of 3.53 and 3.19-Carat Natural Unheated Burmese Mogok ‘Pigeon’s Blood’ Ruby and Diamond Pendant Earrings, Harry Winston**

**Estimate : HK\$ 5,400,000–7,500,000 / US\$ 695,000–960,000**

The 3.53 and 3.19-carat pristine rubies are surrounded by diamonds altogether weighing approximately 14.00 carats, setting in the classic ‘Winston Cluster’, which utterly emphasised the pureness and genuine quality of the gems. With its exquisite craftsmanship and signature setting, *Harry Winston* has gained prominent recognition in the jewellery industry. From *The Lesotho III* – a 40.42-carat diamond for Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis’ engagement ring, to *The Taylor-Burton* – a 69.42-carat diamond for Hollywood super star Richard Burton’s wife, Elizabeth Taylor, *Harry Winston* built a dazzling collection of the world’s most famous diamonds.





Another piece of superlative ruby jewellery is an impressive **5.02, 2.12 and 2.03-Carat Natural Unheated Burmese Mogok 'Pigeon's Blood' Ruby and Diamond Ring (Estimate : HK\$ 7,800,000–9,800,000 / US\$ 1,000,000–1,260,000)**. Mounted together and decorated with white diamonds, these three fiery gems exude the most preferred 'pigeon's blood' colour. Whilst rendering its passion, the opulent red hue mesmerizes every collector in the auction.

## Glittering Coloured Diamonds

### **2.06-Carat Pear-shaped Natural Fancy Purple-Pink Diamond and Diamond Ring**

**Estimate : HK\$ 2,900,000–3,900,000 / US\$ 370,000–500,000**

Pink diamonds are rarely found in the market as only one coloured diamond can be found in every 100,000 top-quality diamonds mined. As pink diamonds are highly sought-after by connoisseurs, we have brought a 2.06-carat purple-pink diamond this autumn. Framed by brilliant diamonds as a timeless glamorous design, this shining beauty promises to bring sparkles to the auction.



### **6.02-Carat Natural Fancy Intense Yellow Diamond and Diamond Ring, VS1 clarity, Nirav Modi**

**Estimate : HK\$ 1,100,000–2,100,000 / US\$ 140,000–270,000**

Yellow diamonds are praised as nobles amongst coloured diamonds. Its alluring elegance signifies glory and wealth. This yellow diamond is of VS1 clarity, possessing an engaging colour that makes it an enchanting jewel for collection. Decorated with four glistering pear-shaped white diamonds together weighing 2.01 carats, this ring is a shooting star in the night sky.



## Other Precious Jewellery

### **'The Golden Globe'**

### **50.40-Carat Natural Untreated Sri Lankan Cat's-Eye Chrysoberyl and Diamond Ring**

**Estimate : HK\$ 3,000,000–4,000,000 / US\$ 385,000–520,000**

Considering its rarity in the market, cat's eye chrysoberyl is exceptionally high in investment value. This tremendous chrysoberyl is nicely proportioned with unusual spherical shape, displaying a distinct, perfectly oriented chatoyant band with a unique enigmatic aura.





**Natural Conch Pearl, Columbian Emerald and Diamond  
'Flower Blossom' Necklace**

**Estimate : HK\$ 2,800,000–3,800,000 / US\$  
360,000–490,000**

Featuring stunning emerald and conch pearl as pistils and petals respectively, these two flowers are blossoming vividly like never before. With the articulation of brilliant diamonds, the beauty of nature is utterly embodied. With conch pearls together weighing approximately 200.00 carats, round emeralds weighing 2.78 and 2.69 carats respectively, and five oblong emerald drops weighing approximately 10.25 carats, this necklace is surely an unforgettable charm that integrates top gems with intricate craftsmanship.

**Enamel and Diamond 'Dragonfly' Brooch, Circa 1900**

**Estimate : HK\$ 120,000–180,000 / US\$ 15,000–23,000**

The *plique-à-jour* enamel technique can be traced back to the Qing dynasty when it hailed from France to China. This sophisticated workmanship was highly acclaimed by Emperors and the Imperial Court. In support of the accreditations by Emperors Kangxi, Yongzheng and Qianlong, enamel ateliers were built to gratify the royal needs. The wings of this dragonfly brooch are beautifully adorned with colourful enamel combined with an alluring lustre and the eyes decorated with lively green enamel. The *en-tremblant* greenish blue wings embody life and buoyant spirit to the jewellery piece. Enamel is a timeless beauty that embraces the luminous quality and texture of fine gem. This brooch is genuinely a masterpiece that demonstrates the extraordinary enamel workmanship of its kind.

**Multi-Coloured Tourmaline, Yellow Diamond and Diamond 'Balloon Girl'  
Brooch, Ice**

**Estimate : HK\$ 60,000–90,000 / US\$ 7,700–11,500**

Tiancheng Interantional has been collaborating with jewellery designers for designer pieces which we found great demands in collectors. This season, we will present a brooch heartily tailored for the current auction. Holding a bunch of colourful balloons dancing ecstatically, this joyful girl looks as if she would carry her wonderful dream and fly towards the skyline. Tourmaline of different colours conveys different connotations such as love, health and wealth. This colourful brooch certainly brings fortune to the owner.





## Special Presents - Jenny Tseng Jewellery Charity Auction

Tiancheng International is pleased to present Jenny Tseng Jewellery Charity Auction this autumn. **Estimated approximately HK\$11million/US\$1.4million, the sale will offer 50 lots of coveted western and jadeite jewellery**, including some which carry the blissful memories of the diva throughout her notable performing career. A portion of the proceeds from the auction will be donated to Operation Smile China Medical Mission. It is indeed a meaningful opportunity to enrich one's refined jewellery collection in a philanthropic way. Please refer to the 'Jenny Tseng Jewellery Charity Auction' press release for details.



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### NOTES TO EDITORS

Tiancheng International Jewellery and Jadeite Autumn Auction 2014		
Auction	7 Dec 2014 (Sunday) Jewellery and Jadeite Autumn Auction Jenny Tseng Jewellery Charity Auction	1pm 6pm
Previews	22 to 26 Nov 2014 (Saturday to Wednesday) 4 to 6 Dec 2014 (Thursday to Saturday)	10am to 6 pm
Venue	Tiancheng International 30/F, Bank of China Tower, 1 Garden Road, Central, Hong Kong	

### ABOUT TIANCHENG INTERNATIONAL

Founded in January 2011, Tiancheng International is a newly established auction house led by a visionary management group and an illustrious team of experts with extensive experience in the international auction business. With solid understanding of the cultural requirements of clients and broad vision to the art world, the team aims to explore new frontiers in the Asian auction market. With its head office in Hong Kong, Tiancheng International also has branch office in Shanghai.

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