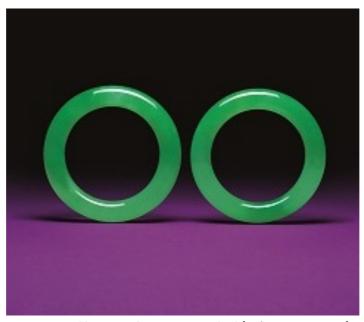
**PRESS RELEASE** 

# TIANCHENG INTERNATIONAL'S SPRING AUCTION OF JEWELLERY AND JADEITE WILL BE HELD IN HONG KONG ON 15 JUNE 2013

Highlights include a series of jadeite bangles and 'Pigeon's Blood' ruby jewelleries

\*Over 220 lots with a combined estimate of over HK\$ 350 million\*



**VERY IMPRESSIVE PAIR OF JADEITE BANGLES (Estimate on request)** 

Hong Kong, 6 May 2013 - Tiancheng International's Spring Sale of Jewellery and Jadeite will be staged at Tiancheng International's Hong Kong office, 30/F Bank of China Tower at 3pm on Saturday, 15 June. Following the success of a piece of Jadeite Bead Necklace realising HK\$106.2 million in Autumn 2012, which set a new world auction record for a piece of jadeite jewellery at the time, Tiancheng International will once again present over 220 top jadeites, exquisite gemstones, magnificent diamonds as well as a series of art design jewels by renowned jewellery houses and independent jewellery designers in this Spring. All lots come to the market with a combined estimate of over HK\$ 350 million / US\$ 45 million. Public preview is available during 26 - 28 May and 12 - 14 June whilst press viewing will be held at 3pm on 24 May at the Tiancheng International's Hong Kong offices as well.



#### **Top Jadeites**

A pair of bangles in top quality, particularly carved from the same piece of rough, is such an invaluable jewel. In Tiancheng International's Spring Auction 2013, there is a range of jadeite bangles in different colours and varieties with prices range from tens of thousands to millions of Hong Kong Dollar to be offered which provides a great selection to cater different needs of collectors. Of note is a **VERY IMPRESSIVE PAIR OF JADEITE BANGLES (image on page 1; estimate on request)**. Each highly translucent cylindrical jadeite bangle is suffused with rich bright green colour, which the intensity and brightness are of the finest quality, making this pair a true treasure for jadeite collecting.



Other top jadeites include a pair of **EXCEPTIONAL JADEITE AND DIAMOND EARRINGS** (left; estimate: HK\$ 15,000,000 – 18,000,000 / US\$ 1,950,000 – 2,300,000). Each earring suspends a highly translucent vivid emerald green colour drop-shaped jadeite plaque within a brilliant-cut diamond surround and is surmounted by a pear-shaped jadeite cabochon with similar design. The two jadeites' exceptional transparency and ultra-fine texture are absolutely of the collector's grade.

An array of colourless glassy jadeites is another highlight at Tiancheng International's Spring Auction. A superb example amongst is an IMPORTANT GLASSY JADEITE, PINK SAPPHIRES AND DIAMOND NECKLACE (image right; estimate: HK\$ 3,800,000 - 4,500,000 / US\$ 490,000 - 580,000) by the Italian designer Alessio Boschi. The necklace



is set with seven graduated scalloped motifs centred with colourless glassy jadeite cabochons of a total weight of 148.55 carats. The shells are out-lined by pink sapphires and circular-cut diamonds.



Due to the fine texture and alluring translucency, the jadeite cabochons exhibit an exceptional glow. With a design infused the East and West culture, this elegant necklace is of great collecting value. Another top glassy jadeite lot offered at this sale is a JADEITE 'GUANYIN' PENDENT NECKLACE (image left; estimate: HK\$ 1,600,000 – 2,000,000 / US\$ 210,000 – 260,000) with splashes of light green colour, possessing exceptional translucency.









This Spring, Tiancheng International will also feature over 20 pieces of jadeite lots to be offered 'Without Reserve', including a JADEITE BANGLE (image above left; estimate: HK\$ 120,000 – 180,000 / US\$ 16,000 – 24,000), an ICY JADEITE, JADEITE AND DIAMOND 'BUDDHA' PENDANT (image above centre; estimate: HK\$ 20,000 – 30,000 / US\$ 2,600 – 3,900) and a JADEITE AND DIAMOND 'CAT' BROOCH (image above right; estimate: HK\$ 60,000 – 90,000 / US\$ 7,800 – 12,000). These 'Without Reserve' lots of various jewellery types are definitely not to be missed.

# **Exquisite Gemstones and Diamonds**



Unheated rubies from Burmese or African origin with 'pigeon's blood' colour grading are always sought after by collectors. A series of ruby jewelleries with these noble qualities will be offered at this sale. One of the highlight is a SPECTACULAR RUBY AND DIAMOND NECKLACE (image left; estimate: HK\$ 23,800,000 – 28,000,000; US\$ 3,100,000 – 3,600,000). The necklace mounted in platinum is set with a line of oval-shaped rubies in between two lines of oval-shaped and brilliant-cut diamonds. All the rubies came from Burma and many of their colour is graded 'pigeon's blood'. The two tassels cross and terminate in a 3.86 carat oval-shaped ruby and a 5.03 carat oval-shaped diamond, each within a pear-shaped and oval-shaped diamond surround respectively. Both of them are detachable and can be worn separately as a pendant. Rubies together weigh 103.99 carats whilst diamonds together weigh approximately 125.00 carats.

In recent years, unheated 'pigeon's blood' ruby from Mozambique of East Africa has become a new collecting trend because of its superb transparency and perfect crystallisation. An astonishing trait of Mozambican ruby is that it often lacks eye visible characteristic

inclusions; and therefore surpasses the potential that Burmese ruby offers us today, particularly with regards to its larger size. With its powerful colour, the Mozambican 'pigeon's blood' ruby satisfies a ruby lover's taste with its astonishing beauty. A pair of 2.47 AND 2.77 CARAT NATURAL MOZAMBICAN RUBY AND DIAMOND EAR STUDS (image right; estimate: HK\$ 280,000 – 380,000; US\$ 36,000 – 49,000) on offer is such a stunner.









Founded in Munich, Germany, Schreiner Munich has acquired an international name for fine and hand-made diamond jewellery among the jewellery industry in the past 20 years. Tiancheng



International is proudly to present a 22.73 CARAT NATURAL COLUMBIAN EMERALD AND DIAMOND RING (image above left; estimate: HK\$ 3,500,000 – 4,500,000 / US\$ 460,000 – 580,000) and a pair of 30.05 AND 28.34 CARAT EXCEPTIONAL NATURAL COLUMBIAN EMERALD (GRS-type Muzo green) AND DIAMOND EARRINGS (image above right; estimate: HK\$ 11,500,000 – 15,000,000 / US\$ 1,480,000 – 1,950,000) which are the signature of the brand's simple yet fashionable style. Another lot designed by Schreiner is a 3.01 CARAT 'BUDDHA' DIAMOND NECKLACE (image left; estimate: HK\$ 950,000 – 1,200,000 / US\$ 123,000 – 155,000). The patented Buddha-cut turns the diamond into a piece of 'wearable artistic jewellery'.

Among exquisite diamonds, a **7.91 CARAT FANCY YELLOWISH GREEN DIAMOND AND DIAMOND RING (image right; estimate: HK\$ 4,800,000 – 5,800,000 / US\$ 620,000 – 750,000)** will attract the eye balls of the coloured diamonds collectors. The radiant-cut Fancy Yellowish Green diamond is flanked by two half-moon shaped diamonds together weighing approximately 2.50 carats. The centred Fancy Yellowish Green diamond is accompanies by HRD and GIA certificates.



Art design jewels are always one of the important elements of Tiancheng International's Jewellery and Jadeite auctions. This spring, one of the highlights is a **SOUTH SEA CULTURED PEARL AND DIAMOND CHESS SET (image below; estimate: HK\$ 600,000 – 800,000 / US\$ 78,000 – 100,000)** designed by Mario Buzzanca. Each chess piece is made of South Sea cultured pearls and decorated with either colourless or black brilliant-cut diamonds to represent the opponent side. The checkers on the lacquer chessboard are made of mother of pearl, resulting in an artwork of great novelty and taste.





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# **Auction Details**

Date: 15 June 2013 (Saturday)

**Time:** 3 p.m.

**Venue:** Tiancheng International

30/F, Bank of China Tower, 1 Garden Road, Central, Hong Kong

## **Hong Kong Preview**

Date: 26 - 28 May (Sunday - Tuesday), 12 - 14 June (Wednesday - Friday) 2013

**Time:** 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Venue: Tiancheng International

30/F, Bank of China Tower, 1 Garden Road, Central, Hong Kong

# **Media Preview**

Date: 24 May (Friday)

**Time:** 3 p.m.

Venue: Tiancheng International

30/F, Bank of China Tower, 1 Garden Road, Central, Hong Kong

#### **ABOUT TIANCHENG INTERNATIONAL**

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