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25 NOVEMBER 2019 THE ERNIE O'MALLEY ART COLLECTION PRICES REALISED

Whyte's, in association with Christie's, offered works from The Ernie O'Malley Collection, highlighted by five paintings by Jack Butler Yeats. Comprised of 100 lots, also including early sketches by Yeats and work by the artists Mainie Jellett, Evie Hone, Louis le Brocquy, Colin Middleton and Norah McGuinness, the auction formed an anthology of Irish art from the early 1900s to the 1950s. Ernie O'Malley was a leading revolutionary in Ireland from 1916-22 who went on to publish two books detailing his experiences. The sale and international exhibitions provided an opportunity to discover his private passion for art and the relationships he developed with artists he encountered in America and Ireland.

The collection grossed €5.5 million, the highest result for an art auction in Ireland, including record breaking realisations for several works. Below are listed the prices realised at this auction. Lot 51 was withdrawn. All other lots were sold – a "Whyte Glove Sale"!

Prices quoted include buyers' premium of 13.5% to 25%.

The highlights were the Jack Yeats paintings *Reverie*, €1.7 million, a new world record for the artist, *Evening in Spring*, €1.6 million, *The Enfolding Night*, €640,000, *Death For The Only One*, €600,000 and *The Fighting Dawn*, €400,000. Other notable prices were achieved for Mainie Jellett's *The Land Eire* at €140,000, a new world record for the artist, Colin Middleton *Saint John Retrospect* €45,000, and Louis le Brocquy *Tinker Diviner*, €36,000. A Jack Yeats sketchbook broken into 33 single lots, sold from €1,000 to €17,000 each, totalling over €80,000

Errors and Omissions excepted.

1	€17,500	27	€2,000	54	€35,000	81	€1,750
2	€5,250	28	€1,000	55	€22,500	82	€1,500
3	€6,875	29	€1,875	56	€10,313	83	€1,125
4	€7,500	30	€1,571,250	57	€2,250	84	€1,500
5	€3,750	31	€3,000	58	€2,000	85	€1,250
6	€1,875	32	€5,250	59	€137,500	86	€1,375
7	€2,250	33	€10,625	60	€3,000	87	€1,063
8	€1,875	34	€5,750	61	€25,000	88	€2,750
9	€1,125	35	€575,250	62	€2,750	89	€2,500
10	€1,875	36	€7,500	63	€5,500	90	€3,500
11	€1,875	37	€5,750	64	€45,000	91	€1,125
12	€2,125	38	€1,625	65	€6,250	92	€1,375
13	€2,250	39	€8,750	66	€4,250	93	€3,250
14	€3,500	40	€395,250	68	€11,250	94	€1,000
15	€2,250	41	€2,125	69	€4,750	95	€1,625
16	€4,250	42	€12,500	70	€1,875	96	€1,500
17	€2,250	43	€250	71	€3,750	97	€1,250
18	€2,125	44	€325	72	€1,438	98	€1,375
19	€2,500	45	€22,500	73	€1,000	99	€1,625
20	€635,250	46	€1,750	74	€500	100	€1,250
21	€4,000	47	€625	75	€300	101	€900
22	€2,750	48	€2,500	76	€288		
23	€1,000	49	€563	77	€563		
24	€5,750	50	€350	78	€1,875		
25	€1,691,250	52	€1,375	79	€1,125		
26	€3,000	53	€1,500	80	€875		