ANDIPA GALLERY

BANKSY

Works from the Collection of Andipa Gallery

Exhibition Dates: Thursday 23 April – Saturday 16 May 2009



Are You Using That Chair, From the Crude Oil series, 2005 Oil on canvas, Unique, 213 x 426 cm

Andipa Gallery is proud to present a selling exhibition of rare works by the UK's leading urban artist, Banksy, including the largest canvas ever to come on the market. All of the works on display are from the gallery's collection, built up over the last three years.

Andipa was the first gallery to put on a major exhibition of Banksy's work in the secondary market, showcasing one of the largest collections of the artist's work. Over 25,000 people visited the gallery during the exhibition in 2008 to view one of the most extensive private surveys of the artist's work brought together in recent years; many visitors queuing up to an hour for entry.

This exhibition will show only original canvases, such as *Are You Using That Chair* (2005) which will take centre stage. Measuring over four meters in length, this is the largest canvas by Banksy to have come onto the market. The work is based on Edward Hopper's well-known painting *Nighthawks* (1942). Another work to be included is an original oil on canvas depicting a traditional portrait of an English Lord struck by a custard pie. Also to be included is a mini canvas portraying a monkey wearing a placard with the inscription 'Keep it Real' – a befitting statement in today's environment.

Acoris Andipa, Director, Andipa Gallery, "Banksy continues to defy the establishment with poignant commentary through his street work. He continues to evolve and adapt as an artist, as we saw with his response to the New Orleans anniversary and his New York Village Pet Store creations last year. He's always one step ahead of the game, reasserting freedom of speech through both his street works and his studio output."

Note To Editors: Andipa Gallery does not represent Banksy and all works on display are from the gallery's collection. The exhibition has not been organised by the artist.

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Exhibition Information

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Opening Times: Monday to Friday 9:30am – 6pm, Saturday 11am – 6pm

Exhibition Catalogue Available

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About Andipa Gallery

Andipa Gallery is a specialist dealer in modern and contemporary art ranging from Matisse, Picasso and Warhol, through to Damien Hirst and Banksy. Based in Knightsbridge for the past 40 years, the gallery has a long-established reputation of providing clients with a high level of service in a relaxed, welcoming atmosphere. Andipa now publishes and represents a selection of new contemporaries under the umbrella of Andipa Contemporary.

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