

Park West Gallery EPIC Retrospective Features Acclaimed Artists and Rare Works of Art

Previously unreleased artwork unveiled to the public for the first time in decades, world-renowned artists in attendance during exclusive art collector's cruise

December 16, 2010 (FPRC) -- Park West Gallery, now in its 42nd year as a leading fine art dealer, recently curated a landmark retrospective featuring never-before-seen artwork by four world-renowned artists — Yaacov Agam, Robert Kipniss, Csaba Markus and Igor Medvedev. The retrospective was unveiled before one hundred Park West Gallery VIP collectors aboard the Norwegian EPIC cruise ship, during its December 4-11, 2010 sailing. Original paintings, one-of-a-kind drawings and limited-edition graphic works were released from the archives and offered for sale.

Hosted aboard Norwegian Cruise Line's largest and most innovative Freestyle Cruising ship, Park West Gallery's EPIC retrospective highlighted some of the finest artwork ever produced by artists Yaacov Agam, Robert Kipniss, Csaba Markus and Igor Medvedev. Much of the artwork was kept in the private collection of the artists, previously unseen by the public and unavailable to collectors for decades – until now.

"The EPIC retrospective and art auction continues Park West Gallery's mission of bringing fine art to people all over the world," said Albert Scaglione, CEO and founder of Park West Gallery. "We were proud to introduce some of our most loyal collectors to these acclaimed artists, each of whom has enjoyed a profound relationship with Park West Gallery for many, many years. The experience of meeting and spending time with artists like Agam, Kipniss, Markus and Medvedev is a unique opportunity which Park West Gallery is pleased to be able to afford our collectors."

Each of the artists was able to present their works and spend time talking at length with Park West Gallery collectors. The artists were able to interact with collectors throughout the cruise, providing insight into their lives and aesthetic. "Meeting the artists onboard the ship was really the highlight of the cruise; not just reading about them, or seeing their artworks in a museum, but actually meeting them," said Park West Gallery client Sylvia Sawh from Trinidad. "I think that was wonderful on Park West's behalf, to bring the artists onboard and have them meet their buyers."

Historically significant works, dating back as far as the 1950s, were gathered from all over the globe and brought together for the EPIC retrospective. This was the first Park West Gallery event attended by Robert Kipniss, and an inaugural cruise for both Kipniss and Yaacov Agam.

Israeli artist Yaacov Agam is known as the father of kinetic art. His works were featured in a 1980 retrospective at the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum in New York and are currently part of a permanent installation at Le Centre Georges Pompidou in Paris. The works of Robert Kipniss hang in the permanent collections of the Whitney Museum of Art and Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York, the British Museum in London, the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C., and New Orleans Museum of Art, among others. Csaba Markus is one of the most widely collected contemporary artists, with works displayed in prestigious art galleries throughout the world and commissioned pieces hanging in some of the most exclusive private collections in the United States. California-based artist Igor Medvedev's works are eagerly collected around the world. In 2002, Park West Gallery published the catalog *raisonnée* of Medvedev's serigraphs, featuring an introduction by

Dr. Anthony Janson, co-author of the most widely read art history textbook, Janson's History of Art.
About Park West Gallery

Since its founding in 1969, Park West Gallery has brought fine artworks to more than 1.2 million clients around the world through its gallery locations in Michigan and Florida as well as art auctions on cruise ships and in major metropolitan areas. Park West Gallery's mission is to create an educational, entertaining, and welcoming environment that ignites a passion for the arts and creates a collecting experience like no other company in the world. Park West Gallery supports a myriad of artistic talent, engages the widest array of audiences, and advocates genuine artistry while maintaining only the highest of professional standards. To inquire about purchasing artwork from the Park West Gallery Fine Art Collection, please visit <http://sales@parkwestgallery.com> or call toll-free (800) 521-9654 ext. 4.

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