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Christie's to auction collection belonging to Andr Leon Talley

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Christie's collection includes a vast assortment of items that reflects the fashion icon's personal and professional relationships. Image credit: Christie's

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Auction house Christie's presents The Collection of Andr Leon Talley, a cache of personal items from the late fashion editor of Vogue for sale beginning on Jan. 27.

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Mr. Talley was the first the first Black man to act as creative director of American Vogue, and his influence was felt across the entire fashion industry. The allotment includes clothing, fine art, jewelry and literature, much of which pays homage to his famous friends and colleagues.

Priceless pieces

The auction is slated to place in two parts.

Through Feb. 16, 2023, the collection will be sold online. There will also be a live sale at **Christie's** New York on Feb. 15 beginning at 10:00 am EST.

The online collection is comprised of 315 lots consisting of everything from fashion sketches by the late designer Karl Lagerfeld to a set of protective pads for elbow and knee joints.

Fashion couture is well-represented, including a series of crocodile and alligator trench coats, caftans and capes, the latter of which became a signature look of the late fashion director.

The 59 auctioned pieces also include a portrait of Diana Vreeland, former editor in chief of American Vogue and mentor to Mr. Talley, taken by German-American fashion photographer Horst P. Horst.

There is also a trio of straw boater hats, a set of personalized luggage from Louis Vuitton and several works by Pop Artist Andy Warhol.

Proceeds from both the online and the live auction will support two places of worship personal to Mr. Talley. One is the Abyssinian Baptist Church in New York and the other is the Mt. Sinai Missionary Baptist Church in Durham, North Carolina in the United States.

The auction house recently featured the collection of another cultural influencer. In October of last year, Christie's presented at auction nearly 1500 decorative and fine art works from the collection of socialite and art patron Ann Getty ([see story](#)).

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