

# TOP 20

## MOST EXPENSIVE ARTWORKS SOLD BY KL LIFESTYLE ART SPACE IN 2021

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**K**L Lifestyle Art Space (KLAS) bids adieu to yet another wonderful and astounding year of its modern and contemporary art auctions. The esteemed gallery's concluding art auction in Jalan Utara, Petaling Jaya on Nov 8 marked its final event for the 2021 calendar year. KLAS saw exceptional highs as it celebrated the brilliant and beautiful masterpieces of artists from Malaysia and South-East Asia. As we dawn upon a new year of important artworks, we look back at 2021's momentous art pieces and highlights sold by this reputable auction house. Names that indisputably made the list were hot shots such as the late Khalil Ibrahim, Datuk Chuah Thean Teng, Chen Wen Hsi, Datuk Ibrahim Hussein, Eng Tay and Rafiee Ghani – artists that frequented KLAS' auctions, and names expected to fare very well. Besides the heavyweights, 2021 also saw artist Chong Siew Ying fare exceptionally well with her *Girl With Gold Fishes*, 2007, along with Adrien-Jean Le Mayeur's "Ni Pollok Weaving" and Chinese-born Singaporean artist Chua Mia Tee's *Singapore River - St Theresa Church*, 1983 soar past the expectations. Marvel at these visual beauties – the pieces that fetched astounding prices and won hearts.

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**Abdul Latiff Mohidin**  
B. N. Sembilan, 1941  
*Memory of Loyang (Voyage Series)*, 2005  
Oil on canvas 137 x 162 cm  
**SOLD RM 296,800**  
KLAS Art Auction 3 October 2021







**2** **Adrien-Jean Le Mayeur** B. Belgium, 1880 – 1958  
Ni Pollok Weaving  
Pastel crayon and watercolour on paper 46 x 62 cm  
**SOLD RM145,600**  
KLAS Art Auction 27 June 2021



**3** **Chua Mia Tee** 3 October 2021  
Singapore River - St Theresa Church, 1983  
Oil on canvas 60 x 91 cm  
**SOLD RM 123,200**  
KLAS Art Auction 3 October 2021



**7** **Chen Wen Hsi** B. China, 1906 – 1991  
Hérons  
Ink on paper 66 x 76 cm  
**SOLD RM 87,360**  
KLAS Art Auction 7 February 2021



**8** **Khalil Ibrahim** B. Kelantan, 1934 - 2018  
East Coast Series, 1982  
Acrylic on canvas 93 x 119 cm  
**SOLD RM87,360**  
KLAS Art Auction 28 March 2021



**4** **Raden Basoeki Abdullah**  
B. Indonesia, 1915 – 1993  
Portrait of a Woman - God's Creation  
Oil on canvas 100 x 75 cm  
**SOLD RM 106,400**  
KLAS Art Auction 3 October 2021



**5** **Yeoh Jin Leng** B. Perak, 1929  
Melawati Series, 1982  
Acrylic on canvas 71 x 89 cm  
**SOLD RM 98,560**  
KLAS Art Auction 7 February 2021

**6** **Yusof Ghani** B. Johor, 1950  
Biring XIV, 2006  
Oil on canvas 122 x 90 cm  
**SOLD RM 95,200**  
KLAS Art Auction 3 October 2021



**9** **Mohd Hoessein Enas, Dato B.**  
Indonesia, 1924-1995  
East Coast Girl, 1985  
Oil on canvas  
40.5 x 30.5 cm  
**SOLD RM 68,320**  
KLAS Art Auction 7 February 2021



**10** **Ibrahim Hussein, Datuk**  
B. Kedah, 1936 – 2009  
The Meeting - London Protest  
Series, 1963  
Oil on board 45 x 86 cm  
**SOLD RM 84,000**  
KLAS Art Auction 7 February  
2021



**11** **Eng Tay** B. Kedah, 1947  
Family Portrait  
Oil on canvas 105.5 x 105.5 cm  
**SOLD RM67,200**  
KLAS Art Auction 28 March 2021





**12 Chong Siew Ying**  
 B. Kuala Lumpur, 1969  
 Girl With Gold Fishes, 2007  
 Oil on linen 120 x 150 cm  
**SOLD RM58,240**  
 KLAS Art Auction 28 March 2021



**14 Khalil Ibrahim** B. Kelantan,  
 1934 - 2018  
 East Coast Series - Pantai  
 Irama, 2004  
 Acrylic on canvas 56 x 56 cm  
**SOLD RM 43,680**  
 KLAS Art Auction  
 15 August 2021



**15 Choo Keng Kwang**  
 B. Singapore, 1931 - 2019  
 Mother and Child Crossing  
 the River, 1965  
 Oil on board  
 87 x 59 cm  
**SOLD RM 42,560**  
 KLAS Art Auction  
 15 August 2021



**13 Ibrahim Hussein, Datuk**  
 B. Kedah, 1936 - 2009  
 Untitled - London Series, 1964  
 Gouache on collaged magazine  
 paper laid to card  
 34.6 x 25.4 cm  
**SOLD RM 57,120**  
 KLAS Art Auction 27 June 2021



**16 Chen Wen Hsi** B. China, 1906 - 1991  
 Three Birds  
 Chinese ink and watercolour on paper 34 x 44.5 cm  
**SOLD RM41,440**  
 KLAS Art Auction 28 March 2021



**18 Rafiee Ghani**  
 B. Kedah, 1962  
 Iraga "Memori Green Lane, 2020  
 Watercolour on paper 76 x 114 cm  
**SOLD RM25,760**  
 KLAS Art Auction 28 March 2021



**17 Yoshitomo Nara** Cosmic Girl  
 (Eyes Open), 2008  
 Nude  
 Offset lithographic poster printed in  
 colours on wove, from the edition  
 of 500 72 x 52 cm  
**SOLD RM 39,760**  
 KLAS Art Auction 7 February 2021



**19 Walasse Ting** B. China,  
 1929 - 2010  
 Untitled  
 Watercolour and ink on paper 19.3  
 x 27.6 cm  
**SOLD RM 16,800**  
 KLAS Art Auction 15 August 2021



**20 Yong Mun Sen** B. Sarawak,  
 1896-1962  
 Chinese Junk, 1950  
 Watercolour on paper 39 x 28 cm  
**SOLD RM14,560**  
 KLAS Art Auction 27 June 2021