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## **Winter Exhibition:** Chagall, Dufy, Le Sidaner, Martin, Moore, Signac

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Raoul Dufy, *Londres*, 1930, watercolour and gouache on paper, 193/4 x 255/8 in, 50 x 65 cm

For this year's Winter Exhibition Connaught Brown will present a mixed selection of drawings, paintings and sculpture by leading Post-Impressionist, Modern Master and Contemporary artists including Marc Chagall, Raoul Dufy, Henri Le Sidaner, Henri Martin, Pablo Picasso, David Hockney and Henry Moore.

As specialists in French Post-Impressionism, the gallery is pleased to present a number of visually opulent Neo-Impressionist works. Included will be Le Sidaner's enchanting depiction of his rose-covered house at Versailles in *La Maison aux roses*. Also featured will be a work by his close friend Henri Martin. In the vivid painting

*Collioure* he has captured the shimmering interplay of summer light on the building facades in the fishing port famed for inspiring Fauvist paintings.

A highlight of the show will be Dufy's brilliant watercolour scene of the River Thames, *Londres*. Painted with his characteristically bright palette and calligraphic style, it exemplifies the decorative expressionism of the Fauves with which they captured the 'joie de vivre'. Another river scene included is Signac's wonderful watercolour *Péniche au Pont des Arts*, in which he captures a busy day in Paris beside the River Seine.

Painted following his relocation to the South of France, Chagall's watercolour *Les Amoureux*, which features a floating bridge and groom, is a celebration of his new life in Provence with the beautiful Virginia Haggard McNeil. His later work *Autour de coq et du bouquet* from 1981 is also characteristic of the richly coloured, dreamlike paintings he created in the Côte D'Azur.

Alongside French art, the exhibition will include modernist sculpture and drawings by Moore. Amongst his works on show will be a number of intimate and highly personal drawings in which he celebrates the joys of family life. Also presented will be a drawing from David Hockney's colourful *Parade* series.

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