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## **Artist VASILY KLYUKIN at Leonardo DiCaprio Foundation (LDF) Charity Auction**

**Gala Held On July 26, Saint-Tropez**

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Vasily Klyukin is a Russian Architect, Writer, Sculptor and Businessmen whose Biography doesn't fit into customary bounds. Once the Bank he co-owned reached the Russian 'Top-100', he successfully took up Real Estate Projects, and later left the World of Big Business for the Realm of Art. Vasily Klyukin designs Super-Yachts and Future-Towers, writes Fiction, and creates Sculptures. His Projects are published by reputable international titles and can be seen firsthand in Moscow, London, Monte-Carlo, Lucerne, Cannes, and Ibiza.

In 2013 Vasili Klyukin published an Album of his own Architectural Concepts called 'Designing Legends'. In 2017, Klyukin's Statue 'Golden Madonnina' was chosen as the Official Prize of The Design Prize Award. This May, as a part of the 70th Annual Cannes Film Festival, Klyukin's 'Dancing Fairy' Sculpture was sold for that evening record of Euros 300,000 at the amfAR Charity Auction for AIDS Relief. The Piece of Art was purchased by Leonard Blavatnik, a famous Collector, whose name has been recently given to the New Building of the London Tate Modern.

So, his incredible 3-meters' long 'live' Tiger '6/9' Piece was already named the First Art-Lot of the Forthcoming Auction this Summer. Drawing on his Architect's Experience Vasily Klyukin was able to develop a Unique Technique that allows to Assemble and Disassemble the Work of Art without using any kinds of Fastening Mechanisms. Each and every Art-Piece is a Set of Metal Plates that once assembled take up a Pre-defined Shape. There is no Casting, Welding or even Bolts in his Art-Pieces (i.e. no additional fastening at all). Each Metal Plate has cut-out Slots therefore the next Metal Plate fits into it. The width of the Slots is a result of precise calculation, and all slots taken together make up the Carrying Axle.

The Sculptures are called 'live' in particular because even when fully assembled most of its Elements remain fully moving Components. The featured 3-meters' long Tiger is a Chrome Plated Sculpture made up of Black and Gold Mirror Steel Plates. Looking from above the Sculpture seems as if it were a Sun-Shaped Transparent Structure, meanwhile the Metal Sheets make up an incredibly beautiful Tiger looking sidewise, a game of Shadows and Reflections.

The name of the Art-Piece '6/9' references the fact that only 6 out of 9 Tiger Species remained unextinct. The Designer explains that three Species of Tigers were completely exterminated by Man, two of which in the last 50 years. Tigers are at the Top of the Food Chain and their Extinction is leading to the Global Problems in the Entire Wildlife.

'I have no explanation as to my participation in this Charity Event other than just a feeling that I'm obliged to. I would be ashamed if I didn't. I could be sick or helpless in other life. Unlike Human Beings, Nature dies in Silence. I have four Children and I care about the Future. I respect People that spend their priceless Time protecting the Environment and I want to support them' - Vasily Klyukin is quoted as saying.

Vasily Klyukin supports Various Charities and on the 400th Anniversary of the Romanov Dynasty by Duchess Maria Alexandrovna, he was awarded a Medal for his Regular Participation in Charitable Activities.

He made news Worldwide as the First Potential Space Tourist from Monaco after Purchasing the Opportunity at an AmfAR Charity Auction during the Cannes Festival. The future Virgin Galactic Flight through Richard Branson's Corporation, will be alongside Actor Leonardo DiCaprio. The Auction was dedicated to AIDS Research.

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