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For Immediate Release:

Jackie O

A New Release by Russell Young

Artist Reception Thursday, May 14, 2015 | 6:00 – 8:00 pm

"The trouble with me is that I'm an outsider. And that's a very hard thing to be in American life." Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis

New York, New York: Taglialatella Galleries is pleased to present a new solo exhibition for internationally renowned contemporary Pop artist Russell Young. The exhibition opens with a reception for the artist on the evening of Thursday, May 14, 2015 and will run through June 7, 2015.

Russell Young has long been fascinated by the dichotomy of the myth and reality of the" American Dream", which he often personifies as Hollywood glamour in contrast with our "knowing" of the jaded reality of celebrity. As explored in his previous collections *Fame&Shame*, *American Envy*, and *This Land is My Land*, Young transforms cultural icons with his signature silkscreen process, his unique color and often a glittering diamond dust finish. It is a fantastical glorification, simultaneously presenting the viewer with the tragedy of it all; finite beauty and the loss of innocence

Taglialatella Galleries is pleased to present Russell Young's most important female icons, his "Heroines" to mark the release his new portfolio "Jackie O". Who better to evoke a powerful sequence of emotions than Jacqueline Kennedy? At once a vision of youthful glamour and hope; First Lady to the most powerful man in the free world and then suddenly she is *the* symbol of national grief, and with time would come to symbolize the watershed moment when the hope of the 1960s was dashed at the dawn of the Vietnam War.

The portfolio is a limited edition of twenty five sets of four works on paper. All are hand-pulled unique variations with original colors mixed by the artist. Derived from a rare 1964 photograph of Jackie on what would have been the 47th birthday of the late JFK, each is enclosed in a black linen case with a hand-pulled silkscreen cover. Each portfolio contains a signed and numbered colophon sheet, much like Young's first portfolio "Marilyn Portrait" which was released by Taglialatella Galleries last year and achieved a record price at the Christie's auction of *Prints and Multiples* on April 24th.

Russell Young has works in notable collections including that of President Obama, The Estate of Elizabeth Taylor, The Saatchi Collection, The Benetton Foundation, and the private collections of Laurence Graff, David Bowie, David Hockney, Brad Pitt, Kate Moss, and Marc Jacobs.

Russell Young biography: http://russellyoung.com/biography

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