

OCTA AUTOMATIQUE

F.P.Journe supports Action Innocence with the donation of a unique piece auctioned at CHF 1'000'000



Gstaad, February 16, 2023 - Action Innocence organized a charity gala during which F.P.Journe renewed his commitment to the Foundation with the donation of a unique version of the Octa Automatique.

Action Innocence was founded in Geneva in 1999 by Mrs. Valérie Wertheimer. Its first mission was to point out the emerging abuses of the Internet and to denounce what was being prepared in terms of pedocriminality. The Foundation has developed and given free of charge to interested police services an AntiPedoFiles tracking software that has allowed the arrest of thousands of individuals consuming child pornography material. One of the first actions was to develop a prevention program targeting children, informing them of various risks surrounding the Internet : coming across disturbing and/or illegal images ; the disclosure of personal data ; meeting the wrong kind of people ; sexting ; cyber-bullying, Internet addiction. More recently, the Foundation has decided to tackle the premature exposure of children to screens, the effects of which are worrying for childcare professionals who are noticing worrying behaviors in their practices: delayed speech development, difficulty relating to other children, attention span deficit, poor fine motor skills, lack of interest in traditional games.

At the end of the evening, the Octa Automatique presented with an exclusive dial made especially for the occasion was auctioned. Varnished, lacquered, honed and polished by hand, the face of the watch echoes themes similar to the Tourbillon Souverain, élégante and Chronomètre Optimum donated to the Geneva foundation in 2015 and 2017.

This unique piece attracted the interest of many collectors and was finally sold for CHF 1'000'000.

The uncluttered design of an F.P.Journe timepiece always reflects the highest level of technical innovation. The hours, minutes and seconds are displayed on the off-center dial in whitened guilloche Silver secured by a polished Steel circle, while the instantaneous date is revealed through a large window for enhanced legibility. At the heart of the 40 mm Platinum case, the Octa 1300.3 automatic caliber offers chronometric precision during 120 hours and an exceptional 160-hour power reserve for great comfort of use. Its off-center 22K 5N Gold rotor turns unidirectionally and exploits each slightest movement of the wrist to ensure an optimal winding of the watch. The sapphire glass caseback emphasizes the magnificent 18K rose Gold mechanism as well as the subtle decorations and watchmaking finishes executed by the Manufacture's craftsmen.

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