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Private collector bought the Pyotr Konchalovsky painting "Family Portrait" before the Sotheby's auction which will be held next week. Collector bought the painting for about 8 million dollars.

"Interest to two paintings before the auction has grown into an unprecedented deal that demonstrates the increased interest in masterpieces of Russian art. New assessment criteria have been established for creativity Pyotr Konchalovsky and Robert Falk - well-known at home and less well-known outside of Russia. Yet now they are re-opened to the public thanks to amazing results "- said the Head of Sotheby's Russian Department, Jo Vickery.

