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Washington – May 18—Daum, the world-renowned creator of fine art pieces in crystal and glass for over 125 years, is pleased to announce that John Gobin was awarded 'Best Sportsman' at this year's America's Polo Cup in Poolesville, MD.

Gobin, who played the #4 position on the U.S. team, was awarded Daum's inaugural crystal trophy after the U.S. team defeated Australia 4-2 on Saturday, May 9 at Capitol Polo club outside DC. The Daum Polo Sportsmanship Award will now travel with the tour becoming a perpetual trophy awarded yearly to 'Best Sportsman'.

Daum offered a sneak peek at

the Best Sportsman trophy throughout the day, as well as a magnificent display of its equestrian crystal collection called 'Hippic', which features exceptional crystal horses inspired by artists passionate about the equestrian world.

"This stunning 13-piece collection reflects the equestrian world as seen through the eyes of the world's foremost artists," said Thomas Zimmermann, EVP of Daum. "Under the watchful eyes of Georges Braque, Ludovico de Luigi & Carlos Mata, the crystal horses perform a bewitching display – a tribute to the greatest of man's conquests."

The 'Hippic' collection is affordable to all collectors, with pieces ranging from \$1300 for realistic animals to \$62,000 for true works of art like the Char De Medee by George Braque. Each exceptional piece is hand-crafted using 'pâte-de-cristal' (pieces of colored



Thomas Zimmermann is the Executive Vice President of Daum and presented the Best Sportsman award to John Gobin at the event.

crystal) and the 'lost wax' molding technique, a process that ensures a rich and subtle palette of color, along with beautiful champagne-like bubbles throughout - a precision that is impossible to achieve with blown glass.

About Daum  
In 1878, Jean Daum set out to create the

ultimate crystal art pieces and has since been seducing the world's top collectors with unique, limited edition sculptures in crystal. Dedicated to working with the world's highest regarded artists, Daum has collaborated with over 350 artists including Salvador Dali, Arman, Paloma Picasso, Roland Topor and Manolo Valdes.