

SOTHEBYS HOLDINGS INC  
Form 8-K  
August 10, 2005  
UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)

OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

August 10, 2005

(Date of report)

August 8, 2005

(Date of earliest event reported)

Sotheby s Holdings, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Michigan  
State or other  
jurisdiction of  
incorporation or  
organization)

1-9750  
(Commission  
File Number)

38-2478409  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

38500 Woodward Avenue, Suite 100  
Bloomfield Hills, Michigan

(Address of principal executive offices)

(248) 646-2400

48303  
(Zip Code)

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))



Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On August 8, 2005, the Company issued a press release discussing its results of operations for the second quarter and first half ended June 30, 2005. This press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

- 99.1 Sotheby's Holdings, Inc. earnings press release for the second quarter and first half ended June 30, 2005
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**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

SOTHEBY S HOLDINGS, INC.

By: /s/ Michael L. Gillis  
Michael L. Gillis  
Senior Vice President,  
Controller and Chief  
Accounting Officer  
Date: August 10, 2005

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