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Miss Darline Bekkedal,
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Dear Miss Bekkedal:-

A number of factors have conspired to make me realize that I cannot possibly have my book completed before June 1st. This is all very upsetting and means I have having to postpone the definite commitments for showing my slides until early fall. In all probability I shall be coming east late in August and stay on into the fall. Now, as far as the Arts Club is concerned, I can ship you my show and your plans need not be altered, only I shall suffer the disappointment of not being there. However, if it were possible to put in some other show and postpone me until fall, that would be wonderful. But I know how hard it is to make a schedule and how trying to have someone else alter it.

I have just sent part of the show down to the Tucson Fine Arts Asso. for a showing there. I am still working on prints for yours so that I will have the allotted number ready by April first.

The book is coming along and I hope to have it really finished by June first. There have been upsetting factors about publishers, and the difficulty of doing so large an undertaking and having to boil one's pot at the same time. All this, plus the severe illness very recently of my little companion who normally takes care of our little house, have thrown me behind and I woke up to the fact last night, that I cannot possibly be ready to come east by April first. It is very certain that I will come in the very early fall, so that if it is at all possible to switch me to a fall date I shall surely be there, complete with slides, and more of them!

It distresses me greatly to have to make a change of plans, but I see very clearly that there is nothing I can do about it. Let me know at your convenience just what your decision is and in the mean time I proceed to get the show ready as fast as possible.

With best wishes,
Very sincerely yours