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Ms. Laura Gilpin
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Dear Laura,

I am sure you have heard about the very important new Center for Creative Photography at the University of Arizona in Tucson. I personally believe it to be one of the most important events in the progress of American photography. My total archives, as well as those of Bullock, Callahan, Siskind, Sommer and others to be announced, will become part of a living resource for historical and aesthetic study. I am giving my entire collection of other photographer's work, and we are hoping that other such collections may be obtained. The University has been very generous in acquiring contemporary prints, and President John Schaefer is remarkably effective in raising money to acquire prints from living artists.

Harold Jones, who was Director of Light Gallery in New York City, is now Director of the Center and will take up full-time duties in September. I believe he expects to come to the Southwest frequently between now and that time. I have suggested that he visit you, and I hope you will give him welcome and consideration, because it is not only very important for photography but will be a happy and rewarding experience for you.

Virginia and I join in most affectionate greetings and wish we could see you more often than we do.

With warmest best wishes,

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