

COLORADO SPRINGS FINE ARTS CENTER

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Miss Laura Gilpin
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Dear Miss Gilpin:

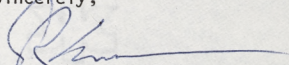
As a benefit for the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center, we are presenting on August 26 our "First Annual Southwestern Contemporary Art Auction." In that we have greatly admired your work in the past, we would like to invite you to be one of the twenty to twenty-five contributing artists.

The actual auction will be preceded by an extended preview exhibition which will open with our mid-summer Members' Gala on July 15. We are requesting that you provide us by July 1 two major works for this exhibit-auction occasion. A professional auctioneer will offer the works to a select audience, commencing the bidding at whatever minimum you designate. The Fine Arts Center's commission on sales will be thirty percent and, as we are also asking you to assume the cost of transporting your works to the Center, doubtless you will want to take both of these factors into consideration when determining your minimum bid figure. In the event your minimum bid is not reached, your objects would be returned to you at our expense.

We genuinely believe that this will be a significant contemporary art event for our community and we hope that you favorably regard the auction-benefit concept.

I should be grateful if you would reply to this invitation at your earliest convenience. If you should have any questions about the project, please do not hesitate to contact me or any of my curatorial staff.

Sincerely,



Arne Hansen
Director

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