

Dear Don,

It is impotent for me to tell you how happy I am in our friendship. You have such rare qualities; a truly beautiful spirit combined with both serenity and strength.

It all comes out in your art, but it is you the person that means so much to me.

(I have written this letter several times over, in the dark quiet night & it seemed better expressed in the quiet mind than on paper on a sticky table on a Monday morning.)

Another testament to your
impact - Puz has decided to
name his daughter Cornelia,
ever known as Nell because
of his love & admiration of you.
I can't think of a time he has
so gracefully overcome negative
feelings about his own mother.
(We were discussing the
name Bethany last night &
he said he thought we had
agreed on Nell. I questioned
this because of previous
remarks he had made about
never again living under the
same roof with another Nell.
He simply said that he had
changed his mind)

Here's to another beautiful
Nell in the world!

And yet another tribute from
Richard. He said you had
flawless artistic judgement &
doubted you could ever make
any but the correct artistic
choice.

Thank you for coming
into our lives & touching
us all with your magic.

With love.

Juan

See you Saturday Three will
join us Sat. evening. Why not
you & Chris come for dinner
& maybe we can get some
quiet evening pictures.