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Mr. Eliot Porter
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Dear Mr. Porter:

Thank you so much for your response to my letter. I would have written back sooner but I have not been home for most of the summer, and so did not receive your letter until only recently. Part of the time that I was away was spent at a photographic workshop in Maine. I was studying nature photography under Jonðthan Blair, a contract photographer for National Geographic. It was an excellent experience and I think I learned a lot in a short period of time.

I am still very interested in apprenticing with you if your plans will allow it. You and your wife certainly sound like busy people! Although I know very little about dye transfer printing, I would be very interested in learning the process and assisting you in whatever way possible.

I would appreciate it if you could please let me know whether or not this could all work out. I would also need to know what dates would be best and how long you would want me.

Although this would be a learning process for me, I would rather be a help than a hinderance to you, so if my idea is not a convenient one please let me know. Also, if you would like me to have the placement office at my school forward my references and/or credentials to you, I would gladly do so. Thank you so much.

Sincerely,

Elise Cleary

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