

THE WHITE HOUSE

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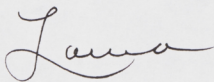
Dear Scott,

Thank you for *Aunt Clara*. I look forward to learning more about this artist whose work is so appealing. Your quick portrait of Clara McDonald Williamson - her eyes cast to the side and her faced lined with years and experience - piques one's curiosity.

And for the same reasons your portrait of President Bush as Governor is also wonderful: you convey both physical attributes and personality.

Thank you for your talent and your generosity.

With best wishes,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Laura". The signature is fluid and elegant, with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.