

8 April 2004

Dear Gossetts,

I'm sending you some xeroxes of some small watercolor studies that I have done in preparation for doing the larger paintings that you wanted for your New York digs. These small studies measure 12" X 16" and will give you a pretty good idea of how the larger paintings will appear. The colors of the Xeroxes are too sharp and acidic. The paintings themselves, both small and large are more beautiful with less contrast. There is some price and size information on the backs of each of the Xeroxes. The small studies are really quite beautiful in their own right. They sell for \$3,500 each unframed but are already promised to patrons, since I never heard from you after I sent you my letter of 8 December 2003, and Bob requested larger paintings for your New York Home.

So far I have almost completed three of the larger paintings for our show on Saturday April 17th. They are as follows: "Gossett Oak", "Road from Gossetts", and "Mesquite, South Pasture." These larger paintings measure 24" X 32" which is slightly smaller than your painting of the Maguey at the ranch which measured 26" X 35" unframed. The prices for these new large landscapes have also been lowered accordingly. After the show I will continue to work on "Old Roses" and "Bobwhite" until they are finished.

As I said on the phone the other day, please do not in any way feel obligated to purchase any of these works. I decided to do the paintings anyway, because our agent Ralph Carr has been trying to get Scott and me to paint some landscapes for customers on our waiting list and I was so pleased with my small pencil drawings that I simply went ahead with the landscapes inspired by your ranch. Since I didn't hear from you, I simply thought you were satisfied with the five Gentlings you already have.

If you would like to reserve any of the finished or unfinished landscapes before our show opens on next Saturday just give me a call at 817 - 738 - 4427.

Sincerely yours

Stuart Gentling

PS. Remeber, the color is not very good on the Xeroxes. The paintings are much richer, more lyrical - especially the large ones!

1) House Quail "	12,500.00
2) "Nopal "	14,500.00
3) Three Fences "	14,500.00
4) Mesquite	12,500.00
5) Old Rose "	14,500.00