



NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ARTS AND LETTERS  
633 WEST 156TH STREET, NEW YORK 32, N. Y.

January 13, 1955

Dear Mr. Rhoden:

The Committee on Grants for Art of the National Institute of Arts and Letters takes pleasure in asking you to participate in a forthcoming exhibition of works by candidates for "Arts and Letters Grants" to be held in the Gallery of the American Academy of Arts and Letters, beginning March 4 to run until March 20, 1955.

The six candidates to receive the grants of \$1,000 each for 1955, will be chosen from these exhibitors.

We should like to have two or three of what you consider your most representative works. Thorn's Express will collect all the material for the exhibition from the New York area on Thursday, February 17. If your material is out of trucking area, would you kindly send it by express collect? Please let me know the insurance value, as we cover all material from wall to wall.

Kindly indicate your acceptance of this invitation by immediately returning the enclosed postal card with your signature or that of your agent. Also, note on the postal card the titles of your works and where they may be called for.

We are returning your photographs under separate cover but would like you to send photographs, if possible, of the works to be exhibited for publicity purposes.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Leon Kroll  
Chairman, Committee on Grants for Art

P. S. The weight of each piece of sculpture should not exceed 150 lbs.

Mr. John Rhoden  
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New York City