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as an invitation to our opening of the
South Carolina State Museum's
"Laura Glenn Douglas and Her Art"

Sunday, May 7, 1989

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June 29, 1988

TO: Dr. Jack Meyer

FROM: Polly Laffitte

SUBJECT: Laura Glern Douglas exhibition dates

As per our conversation yesterday, the dates for the Laura Glern Douglas exhibition for the Fairfield County Museum are May 7, 1989 through May 19, 1989. The opening reception is scheduled for Sunday, May 7th from 3:00-5:00 p.m. Please pass this information on to your new Director. Thank you once again for your prompt decision and assistance in this matter.

South Carolina State Museum



July 13, 1988

Mrs. Farrell Brandin Director Fairfield County Museum South Congress Street Winnsboro, South Carolina 29180

Dear Mrs. Brandin:

It was so nice talking with you on the phone. I'm pleased that you are interested in the Laura Glenn Douglas exhibition.

Enclosed is some information about Miss Douglas as well as our project. When Jack and I come to see you on Monday, August 1, at 2:30 p.m., we can talk more about these materials if you have any questions.

See you on the 1st.

Sincerely.

Lise C. Swensson Curator of Art

LCS:sl

cc: Jack Meyer

Enc:

South Carolina State Museum

January 19.1988



THE LAURA GLENN DOUGLAS EXHIBIT

A collection of art works by South Caroling artist, Laura Glenn Douglas (1896-1962), is to be conserved, matted and framed catalogued, and prepared for a traveling exhibit, by the State Museum through funding from South Carolina National Bank.

Theme

It is indeed fitting that an international bank based in South Carolina would "bring home" the works of a native woman who lived and worked most of her life internationally.

'Working hard to preserve what matters to South Carolina" could be the theme line accentuating South Carolina National's 'roots' in South Carolina.

Purpose

- ... To restore, recognize and expose the works of a locally relatively unknown, South Carolina artist who has been internationally recognized.
- ... To send the collection to museums in key locations throughout the
- ... To promote South Carolina National, the State Museum and the host museums through private receptions and public showings of the work.
- ... To recognize South Carolina National permanently with the restoration of the Laura Glenn Douglas works at the South Carolina State Museum.

Background

Laura Glerm Douglas was born and buried in Wirmsboro, South Carolina. A post-impressionist artist, Miss Douglas studied and exhibited her paintings in Paris, Florence, Rome, Munich and in shows throughout the United States.

The body of Laura Glern Douglas' work can be divided into two major groups: European images which were created between 1927 and 1933; and South Carolina images which were primarily created during the mid to late 1930's. Examples of both periods of Miss Dourlas' work are in the South Carolina State Museum's permanent collection.

Implementation

South Carolina National will sponsor the expenses related to the restoration of Miss Douglas' art, sponsor showing in four cities of the bank's choice and sponsor an opening reception at each museum.

The South Carolina State Museum will develop a retrospective exhibit of works by Laura Glenn Douglas to be coordinated with openings in South Carolina cities selected by South Carolina National. The Museum will prepare the works of art for traveling.

Corporate DevelopMint, a Charleston based company, will direct the planning, development and implementation of this project. Corporate DevelopMint will work with South Carolina National to develop a plan to mutually neet the needs of the artist's family, South Carolina Museum, host museums and their communities and the sponsor. The plan will then be presented to the corporation and museum jointly. Corporate DevelopMint will be responsible for coordinating the people and resources of the Museum, communities and sponsors to implement and promote the project.

Projected Time

Events will be planned in four South Carolina cities; planning beginning January 1, 1988 with functions to be held October of 1988 through June 1989.

RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE LAURA GLEIN DOUGLAS EXHIBIT

I. SCNB Responsibilities:

A financial contribution: SCNB is responsible for providing \$42,000 to be used for the Laura Glenn Douglas Emilbit which will be seen by the South Carolina public in at least for maseums throughout the state.

II. Corporate DevelopMint:

- A. Receptions: CDM is responsible for coordinating all receptions.
- B. Graphics: CDM is responsible for coordinating all graphics.
- C. Promotions and Publicity: CDM is responsible for coordinating all publicity and promotions.
- D. Publishing: CDM is responsible for coordinating all publishing.

III. The State Museum's Responsibilities:

- A. Art Works: The State Museum will be responsible for selecting pieces for the exhibit and for preparing them for exhibition, including conservation, matting, framing and packing for transportation.
- B. Catalogue: The State Museum will be responsible for writing the catalogue, coordinating photography and working with Corporate DevelopMint, to have the catalogue designed and published. This catalogue will be sold at cost to host museums, to be distributed as they wish.
- C. Label Copy: The State Museum will be responsible for producing labels and copy panels.
- D. Educational Materials: The State Museum will write a hand-out for school groups. Slides will be made to be distributed to schools (available for sale at \$1.00 per slide).
- E. Check List: The State Museum will be responsible for providing check list information to Corporate DevelopMint, which will design the piece to be distributed to the public at the exhibits.

- F. Publicity/Promotions: The State Museum will be responsible for providing Corporate DevelopMint with biographical information on Laura Glenn Douglas, information about the exhibit, the State Museum, and the Museum's Grand Opening.
- G. Budget: The State Museum will be responsible for conservation, matting and framing expenses up to \$5,000, in addition to the \$8,500 which SCNB has agreed to provide. The State Museum will also be responsible for catalogue printing empenses up to \$3,000, in addition to the \$8,500 which SCNB has agreed to provide.

IV. Host Museum's Responsibilities:

- A. Insurance: The host museum will need to provide door-to-door fine arts insurance for between 30 to 35 works of art. The total insurance for the exhibit will be no more than \$35,000.
- B. Transportation: The host museum will be responsible for transporting the exhibit to and from their museum. The average size per work is 24" x 30".
- C. Exhibit Installation: The host museum will be responsible for the installation and dismantling of the exhibit. labels and exhibit panels will be available from the State Museum.
- D. The Reception: SCNB will pay for an opening reception at each site, including invitations, refreshments, and decorations. Corporate Development will coordinate each reception, working in conjunction with the State Museum.
- E. Budget: The host museum's financial responsibilities will include providing insurance, transportation, and staff in addition to catalogues and additional educational materials which the host museum wishes to make available to its visitors.

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CHECKLIST

- 1. IAURA GLEIN DOUGLAS, AGE 4
 photograph, 6 1/2 x 4 1/4 unches
 SCSM Collection, Donated by Isabelle Morrison
- 2. FAIRFIELD INN, WINNSBORG, SOUTH CAROLINA, c.1935 postcard, 3 1/2 x 5 1/2 inches SCSM Collection, Donated by Isabelle Norrison
- 3. LAURA GLENN DOUGLAS, c. 1915 photograph, 6 1/2 m 4 1/2 inches SCSM Collection. Donated by Isabelle Morrison
- 4. LAURA GLEWN DOUGLAS, By Carew Rice, 1936 silhcuette, 6 x 4 inches
 SCSM Collection, Donated by Isabelle Morrison
- 5. IAUKA GLENN DOUGLAS, 1935
 photograph, 6 3/4 x 4 1/2 inches
 SCSN Collection, Donated by Isabelle Morrison
- 6. LAURA GLENN DOUGLAS, TEACHING AT THE YWOL, WASHINGTON, D.C., c.1955
 photograph, 30 x 36 inches
 SCSM Collection, Donated by Isabelle Morrison
 Works By The Artist
- 7. CHILDREN'S ILLUSTRATION
 pen and ink, 14 x 11 inches
 Isabelle Morrison Collection
- 8. PROFILE OF A MAN, c. 1925
 pastel, 30 x 20 inches
 Isabelle Morrison Collection
- 9. FASHION MODEL, c. 1925 charcoal, 20 x 15 inches Isabelle Morrison Collection
- 10. IADY WITH FUR, c. 1933 charcoal and pastel, 24 1/2 x 19 inches SCSM Collection, Donated by Isabelle Morrison
- 11. PEASANT MAN, c. 1933 charcoal, 24 3/4 x 19 inches SCSM Collection
- 12. WCMAN IN GREEN, c. 1933 chercoal and pastel, 24 5/8 x 19 inches SCSM Collection, Donated by Isabelle Morrison

- 13. MURNAN, c. 1933 charcoal, 24 x 19 inches SCSM Collection, Donated by Isabelle Norrison
- 14. FISHERMEN, c. 1933 charcoll, 17 1/2 x 23 inches SCSM Collection, Donated by Isabelle Morrison
- 15. THE HIKER, c. 1933 chercoal. 24 1/2 m 19 1/4 inches SCSM Collection, Donated by Isabelle Morrison
- 16. STHILLIFF WITH PLASTER CASTS, c. 1933 charcoal, 25 x 19 inches
 SCSM Collection, Donated by Isabelle Morrison
- 17. ABSTRACTION II, c. 1933 charcoal, 25 x 19 inches SCSM Collection, Donated by Isabelle Morrison
- 18. VIEW OF A CITY, c. 1933 Charcoal, 26 x 19 inches SCSM Collection, Donated by Isabelle Morrison
- 19. MUNICH '33 charcoal, 26 x 19 inches SCSM Collection, Donated by Isabelle Morrison
- 20. NUDE, c. 1933 charcoal, 24 3/4 x 19 inches SCSM Collection, Donated by Isabelle Morrison
- 21. STHL LIFE WITH GUITAR
 Charcoal, 26 x 18 1/2 inches
 SCSM Collection, Donated by Isabelle Morrison
- 22. FROFILE IN CONTOUR chercoal, 25 x 19 inches SCSM Collection, Donated by Isabelle Morrison
- 23. FRAMED NUDE, c. 1930
 pen and ink, 3 3/4 x 4 3/4 inches
 SCSM Collection, Donated by Isabella Morrison
- 24. FIGURE STUDY, c. 1930
 pen and int 12 1/2 x 9 1/2 inches
 SCSM Collection, Donated by Corrie McCallum
- 25. BAVARIAN MOUNTAINS, c. 1930's oil on canvas, 26 1/2 m 21 inches SCSM Collection, Purchased with funds from SCNB

- 26. STILL LIFE IN COLOR, c. 1940's cil, 28 x 22 inches SCSM Collection, Purchased with funds from SCNB
- 27. ELIZABETH ROBERTS, c. 1940's oil on board, 33 x 25 inches SCSM Collection, Purchased with funds from SCNB
- 28. PROFILE, c. 1938
 udxed pencil, watercolor and crayon, 17 x 14 inches
 SCSM Collection, Furchased with funds from SCNB
- 29. STILL LIFE WITH WATERMELON, c. 1935 govache, 22 x 30 inches SCSM Collection, Purchased with funds from SCNB
- 30. SOME FOLKS ON THE PLANTATION, 1939 govache, 19 x 24 inches SCSM Collection, Purchased with funds from SCNE
- 31. CHARLESTON CAFDENS, c. 1936
 watercolor, 19 x 25 inches
 SCSM Collection, Purchased with funds from SCNB
- 32. RED CLAY OF WINNSBORD HILLS , 1938 govache, 12 1/2 x 16 1/2 inches SCNB Collection
- 33. CAFE SCENE drawing, 12 x 18 inches SCNE Collection
- 34. NOTRE DAME, c. 1933 goweche, 21 x 25 inches SCS: Collection, Purchased with funds from SCNE
- 35. STRETCH OF A YOUNG GIRL, c. 1938 pencil, 17 x 13 1/2 inches SCSM Collection, Donated by Isabelle Morrison
- 36. *EELVEDERE II, c. 1939
 govache, 15 1/4 x 20 1/2 inches
 SCSM Collection, Purchased with funds from SCMB
- 37. *BAPTISM, c. 1939
 govache, 22 x 30 inches
 SCSM Collection, Purchased with funds from SCME

- 38. *PICKING COUTON, 1938
 mixed crayon and pencil, 17 x 22 inches
 SCSM Collection, Purchased with funds from SCNB
- 39. JAPONICA, 1939
 oil on canvas, 16 x 22 inches
 SCSM Collection
- 40. *SLEEPING CAT, c. 1935
 oil on paper, 18 x 28 1/2 inches
 SCSM Collection, Purchased with funds from SCNB
- 41. ASSORTING PECANS, c. 1942 oil on board, 24 x 29 1/2 inches SCSM Collection
- * Conserved through funds from SCNB

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CHRONOLOGY

April 16: Rorn in Winnsboro, South Carolina 1902-1906 Studied at College for Women, Columbia, South Carolina 1915 Studied at Corcoran School of Art, Washington, D.C.

1921-1927 Studied in New York City:
Ethel Traphagan School of Fashion; Women's Art School,
Cooper Union (1921-1922); National Academy of Design,
under Charles W. Hawthorne (1924); Women's School of
Fine and Applied Design (1925-1926); Art Students League,
under George Bridgeman (1925); Weinold Reiss, private
studies (1925-1926)

1927-1935 Studied in Europe:
L'Ecale Americaine des Beaux Arts due Palais de
Fontainbleau, France, under Jean Despujal (Summer 1928);
Hans Hofmann, private school, Minich, Germany and Saint
Tropez, France (1929); Vaclav Vytlacil, private school
Capri, Italy (Summers 1931-1932); Instituto di Belli Arti,
Florence, Italy, under Felix Carena (1932 and 1935);
Ferdinand Leger, private classes, Paris, France (1933);
Edmund Kinzingver, Munich, Germany and Paris, France
(1933-1934); Andre L'Hote Academy of Art, Paris, France
(between 1931 and 1935)

1930-1935 Exhibited in Europe:
Selca d'Art Francais Independent (1930; Association
Florence Blumonthal (1933); Salon des Tuileries (1934);
Salon D'Automne; Galerie de Paris; Galerie due Cercle;
Boissonedo Galerie

1935 Won award of merit for art achievement from the Mt. Zion Society, Winnsbore, South Carolina

1935-1938Worked on New Deal art projects for the U.S. Government
Treasury Relief Art Project (TRAP) on a non-relief basis,
easel painter for public buildings, Charleston, South
Carolina (1935-1936); Federal Art Project for Works
Progress Administration (WPA) easel painter, art teacher,
art gallery assistant, Summerville, Greenville, Columbia,
and Beaufort, South Carolina (1936-1938); National Art
Week Gelebration, Washington, D.C. (1940-1942); The Section
of Fine Art, U.S. Treasury Department, mural commission,
"Theme of the South", Camilla, Georgia post office
(1942-1942)

Exhibited in U.S.:
Salons of America, New York City (1935); Argent Galleries,
Fontamebleau Alumni, New York City (1935); J.E. Neuman
Gallery, New York City; Marie Sterner Gallery, New York
City; Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA.
(1936,1942); Corcora: Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C.
(1936,1947); Charlotte Women's Club, one person exhibit,

Charlotte, N.C. (1936); two year one person national circuit of paintings, arranged through Robert Whitelaw, Director, Gibbes Mamorial Art Gallery, (1936-1938); Institute of art, one person exhibit, Albany, New York; Phillips Memorial Gallery, Washington, D.C., (annually, 1939-1942), one person show in 1947, 1948); Art Institute of Chicago (1942, 1943); David Porter Gallery on C Place, Washington, D.C. (1945); Gibbes Memorial Gallery, one person exhibit, Charleston, S.C. (1946); Barnett Aden Galler, Washington, D.C. (1947); Artists' Guild of Washington, Washington, D.C. (1947, 1950, 1957); Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore, M. (1949, 1953, 1959); Whyte Gallery, Washington, P.C. (1949, 1950); Columbia Museum of Art, one person exhibit (1950); DuPont Theater Gallery of art, one person exhibit, Washington, D.C. (1954)

1939-1962 Taught in Washington, D.C.:
Boys Club of Washington, D.C. (1940's); Adult Education
Department, YWCA (1945-1962); Washington Workshop
Cooperative (1948); Workshop Center of the Arts (1950);
Holton Arms School (1950's)

1948 Awarded fellowship to McDowell Colony

1953 Awarded fellowship to Yaddo

1956-1957 Studied Summers at Hans Hofmann School of Fine Arts, New York City

1962 December 28, 1962: Died in Washington, D.C.

1963-1965 Retrospective Exhibits:
American University (1963); District of Columbia Teachers
College (1965); Columbia Museum of Art (1965); Gibbes Art
Gallery, Charleston, S.C. (1965)

FROM AN ARTICLE WRITTEN FOR THE FEDERAL ART PROJECT, Washington, D.C.

It has long been my wish to do something of value for my state.

My best service can be through my painting.

A native of South Carolina, born in Winnsboro, S.C., where my family have always been prominent in historical and political affairs I have wanted to add my share by preserving pictorially the historical places scenes and customs of my native state. South Carolina has made more history than most of the other states and has preserved less, even now places of interest a hundred years old are being destroyed for none less than filling stations and others are in dilapidation. As I cannot prevent their destruction, I can at least preserve their beauty. The South has been sung in song, literature, prose and poetry but the portrayal of the South in painting has not been successfully done as yet. I seek to put the poetry and history of the South in paint but with vigor and creativeness and not sentimentalism.

By painting a series of paintings of revolutionary and colonial buildings, the cotton fields, red clay hills, low country marshes, palmetto jungles and negro life, all of which is so typical of South Carolina, I hope not only to build up and preserve in paint the history of the State for a future museum but that these paintings as works of art will be of value throughout America, to show in contrast to the midwestern arid towns, drought region, garages, factory steeples and severe churches of other sections (that fill all our museums) that there is a more majestic side of our country. The South has its side to contribute. We are a lyrical part of the country and much of the old civilization is still here. passed my earlier years within its borders, I feel and know the spirit that is behind the obvious, having been away has broadened, I see with a fresh eye what the outsider sees, but I know and feel the truths within. One paints best what one knows, what ones roots cling to, what one grows out of, what one lives near and intimately loves. What is art but perfect expression of self in contact with the world, whether that self be of enlightening or fairy telling temperament, is of no moment whatever. Art is a symbol of life itself, of life with its rhythms and its complexities, the absence of which in any work of man signifies lack of living.

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March 9 , 1935, 137 East 57th Street. New York, H. Y.

To the Directors of the John Simon Guggenheim Foundation, 551 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.

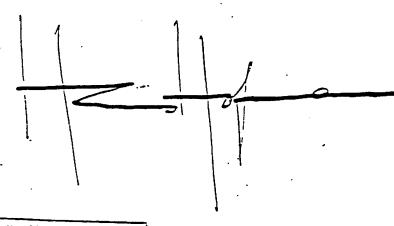
Gentlemen.

I have the pleasure of seeing Miss Laura Douglas!

work here in New York, which she has completed during the recent years in Europe, and I am very much pleasad with the enormous progress which Miss Douglas has accomplished since studying with me in Germany.

Fiss Douglas' work has already surpassed the phases of study, and shows a very remarkable, powerful stage of self expression. Her state of artistic development would make it very advisable for her to be in every way assisted in continuing her so promising artistic career. She is a very serious, earnest, talented artist, and I feel that during the years of a scholarship she shuld do work of great value.

Yours very truly,



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Laura Douglas, Artist, Buried

By Edward J. McGuire

Funeral services were held yesterday in Winnsboro, S. C. for Laura Glenn Douglas, who, as both teacher and artist, had considerable influence on contemporary

art.

LAURA G. DOUGLAS

Miss Douglas, who lived at 71734 P st. nw., died Friday at 11734 P st. nw., died Friday at 117

In the late 1920s and 1930s Miss Douglas was among the vanguard of American artists who engaged in abstract and post-impressionist art.

As an abstractionist, Miss Douglas' technique was to try to capture the essence of her isubject rather than to merely copy its form. As a teacher, she tried to inculcate her students with this idea as well as to teach them the skills she had learned while studying in New York and Europe.

Many local artists have studied under her and been influenced by her work. Referred to as the dean of abstractionist instructors here by one of these artists, Miss Douglas had most recently taught at the Holton Arms School and the YWCA Art Department.

She had also taught, both privately and in schools, in Europe.

Recognized as an accomplished artist in her own right. Miss Douglas had exhibited her paintings in Paris, Florence, Rome, Munich and in one-man shows throughout the United States. Her works have been shown here at the Duncan Phillips and Corcoran galieries.

During the 1930s she was a teacher and a painter for the IWPA. Her work there included more pioneering in the field of post-impressionism and paintings of the South which were noted for their perceptive and understanding treatment of the southern Negro. Some of the murals she did for Government buildings at that time are still known and admired.

Born in South Carolina, Miss Douglas received her early art training in New York where she studied at the National Academy of Design, the Art Students League and the N. Y. School of Fine and Applied Arts.

Later she went to Europe where she studied under Andre L'noté and Ferdinand Leger in Paris and Hans Hoffmann in Munich. It was after 110 years of study in Europe that she returned to the Unit-

AMEFICAN -- D. C. -- DOUGLAS, ISUNA SITHU,

We're hanging hikers, angels and peasants at the Fairfield County Museum.



The Hiker, c. 1933

An intriguing exhibition of paintings and sketches by South Carolina artist, Laura Glenn Douglas, awaits you May 7-May 19 at the Fairfield County Museum. The Hiker, The Angels and Peasant Man are just a few of Laura Glenn Douglas' bold compositions, capturing her passion for art, for life and for the South. South Carolina National takes great pride in sponsoring this exhibit and inviting you to experience Laura Glenn Douglas And Her Art. For information, call 635-9811.

