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#### **MEMO**

#### **Agnes Etherington Art Centre**

University Avenue at Queen's Crescent Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario K7L3N6 Tel: 613 533-2190 Fax: 613 533-6765 www.queensu.ca/ageth/

Date: 12 May 2003

To: Barry Fagan

**Financial Coordinator** 

From: Janet M. Brooke

Director

c.c.: David de Witt

**Re:** Donation – Dr. Alfred Bader

Attached is a cheque received this morning from Dr. Alfred Bader in the amount of \$US 5000, as well as a copy of his letter to me stipulating its use: we will shortly receive an appraisal and accompanying invoice from the American Art Dealers' Association, of Dr. Bader's promised gift of Rembrandt's *Head of an Old Man*. These donated funds are to be used to pay the appraisal.

I'll forward the invoice to you for payment as soon as I receive it (David: if the invoice is addressed to you rather than me, please get it to Barry, cc to me).





CC-David



Dr. Alfred Bader 924 East Juneau Avenue Astor Hotel - Suite 622 Milwaukee, WI 53202 Ph: 414 / 277-0730 Fax: 414 / 277-0709

e-mail: baderfa@execpc.com

February 19, 2003

Janet M. Brooke, Director The Agnes Etherington Art Centre Queen's University University Avenue at Queen's Crescent Kingston, ON K7L 3N6 CANADA

Dear Janet,

It was great to have you and David de Witt here together last weekend so that we could finalize on my gift of the Rembrandt C-22 to Queen's, and on the logistics of getting this to you.

Dr. Maek-Gerard, the Curator of the Staedel, will be returning the painting to me here in Milwaukee around May 20<sup>th</sup> and if getting it to Kingston is really important to you, David could pick it up then. However, we are leaving for England on May 25<sup>th</sup>, so that time will be short.

Alternately, David could pick up the painting in August when he comes to spend a few more days studying the files of my collection or my son Daniel could bring the painting when he comes to the next Queen's Board of Trustees meeting.

With all good wishes to you and to David I remain

Yours sincerely,

Alfred Bader

AB/az



Subject: Ann: request for documentation

Date: Sat, 3 Nov 2001 16:34:08 -0500 (EST)

From: David A Dewitt <3dad5@post.queensu.ca>

To: Alfred Bader <baderfa@execpc.com>

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Dear Ann,

Perhaps you could help with a problem that has arisen with the shipment of two paintings that Alfred and Isabel are donation to the Agnes Etherington Art Centre. We need to have the appraisal faxed to our broker. It is lying on Alfred's desk, and is from Christie's New York. It needs to be faxed to Keith at Livingston International. I do not have their fax number with me here in Amsterdam, but their telephone number is: (613) 521 4751. Perhaps you could call and ask Keith what his fax number is. Your help would be greatly appreciated. If you need to talk to me, I can be reached via Alfred for most of the week. My own cell no. is: (011)(31) 6 44960052.

With best wishes, David

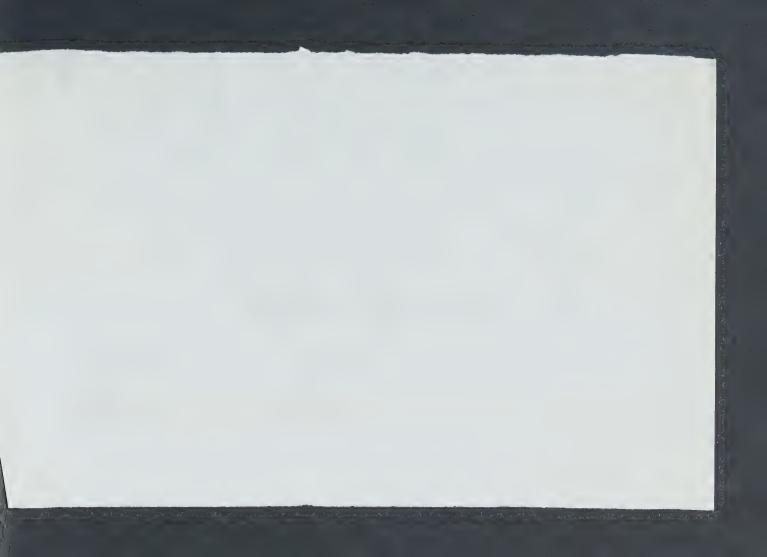
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TO:

Agnes Etherington Art Centre

Queens University

University Avenue at Queen's Crescent Kingston, Ontario, CANADA K7L 3N6

Attn: Dr. David de Witt Tel: 613-533-2190

FROM:

Milwaukee Art Museum 700 North Art Museum Drive

Milwaukee, WI 53202

Tel: 414-224-3268; fax: 414-271-7588

Leigh Albritton, Registrar

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ITEM:

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#### **Analysis of Bader Acquisition Account (#892-202)**

Opening Balance: \$ (470.54)

November \$ 1,868.89 FAE Worldwide - packing & shipping charges

Ending Balance: \$ 1,398.35

(Dec 31, 2001)

#### Items Not Cleared:

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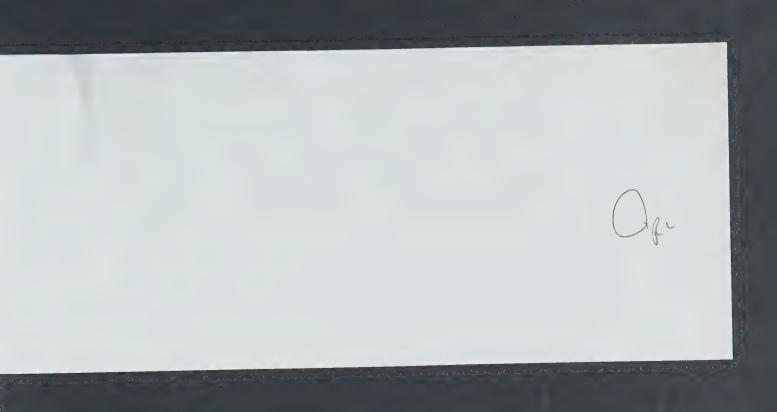
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### Facsimile Transmittal

To: Judith Brown, Donor Relations

Fax no.: 36599

Re: Bader Catalogue funding

Date: 11 January 2002

Pages, including cover: 3

Dear Judith,

Here is the letter from Alfred, where he confirms the gift to fund the publication of a Catalogue of the Bader Collection (Dutch and Flemish Paintings).

Yours sincerely,

From the desk of:

David de Witt
Bader Curator of European Art
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#### Dr. Alfred Bader 2961 North Shepard Avenue Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53211

(414) 962-5169

January 4, 2002

Dr. David de Witt Bader Curator of European Art The Agnes Etherington Art Centre Queen's University Kingston, ON K7L 3N6 CANADA

Dear David,

Thank you for your long and important e-mail of December 20th.

Please do go ahead with preparing the joint catalogue of Dutch and Flemish paintings. The cost of around US \$61,000 for 3,000 copies sounds reasonable and I want to assure you that the funds for this will be in the Bader Abeyance account. Right now we are parking in that account C \$2.5 million for the new Chair in Southern Baroque Art, and just a few days ago I sent further US \$800,000 for additional uses, such as requirements at Herstmonceux Castle and now your catalogue.

I understand that it will take you three to four years and of course we will have many meetings to discuss details.

It would be great if you could plan a visit to Milwaukee in February, when our calendar is entirely free.

I am certain that the Earl of Buccleuch's late portrait, shown at the Royal Academy, is neither for sale, nor could it be exported.

Did you like the catalogue? I found it full of mistakes, and not just the spelling of my name on the back cover. I am confident that your catalogue will not have such blatant errors.



With all good wishes for a happy and healthy 2002 I remain

Yours sincerely,

Alfred Bader

AB/az

Pleare return Elisha plides when you come to Milwanker.



Dr. Alfred Bader 2961 North Shepard Avenue Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53211 December 21, 2001 (414) 962-5169

Ms. Donna Carlson Director of Administration Art Dealers Association of America 575 Madison Avenue New York, NY 10022

Dear Ms. Carlson,

I have just returned from two months in Britain and Holland and have learned that you require a color transparency of the painting of *Judah and Tamar* by Arent de Gelder, which you are appraising. Looking through my files I have found a color transparency and enclose that as well as two more Japanese postcards printed when this painting was on exhibit in Japan.

The painting is also very well illustrated in full color in Sumowski's work, in both of the last two de Gelder exhibition catalogues in Dordrecht and Cologne and in von Moltke's book on de Gelder.

With many thanks for your help and with all good wishes for a happy and healthy New Year I remain

Yours sincerely,

Alfred Bader

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C: Dr. David de Witt

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# **Queen's University Office of Advancement Department of Development**



### **MEMORANDUM**

To: Barry Fagan

From: Judith Brown

Re: Gift in Kind documentation for Alfred Bader's latest gifts

Date: November 22, 2001

Cc: David deWitt

Hello, Barry,

Last week we spoke about how to process gifts in kind so that the audit trail for the Advancement Business Office is in order.

I have received some information about that. Attached are some forms (you may wish to photocopy them, but I have included three for your latest acquisitions from Alfred) that are required for gifts in kind which various areas in the University receive.

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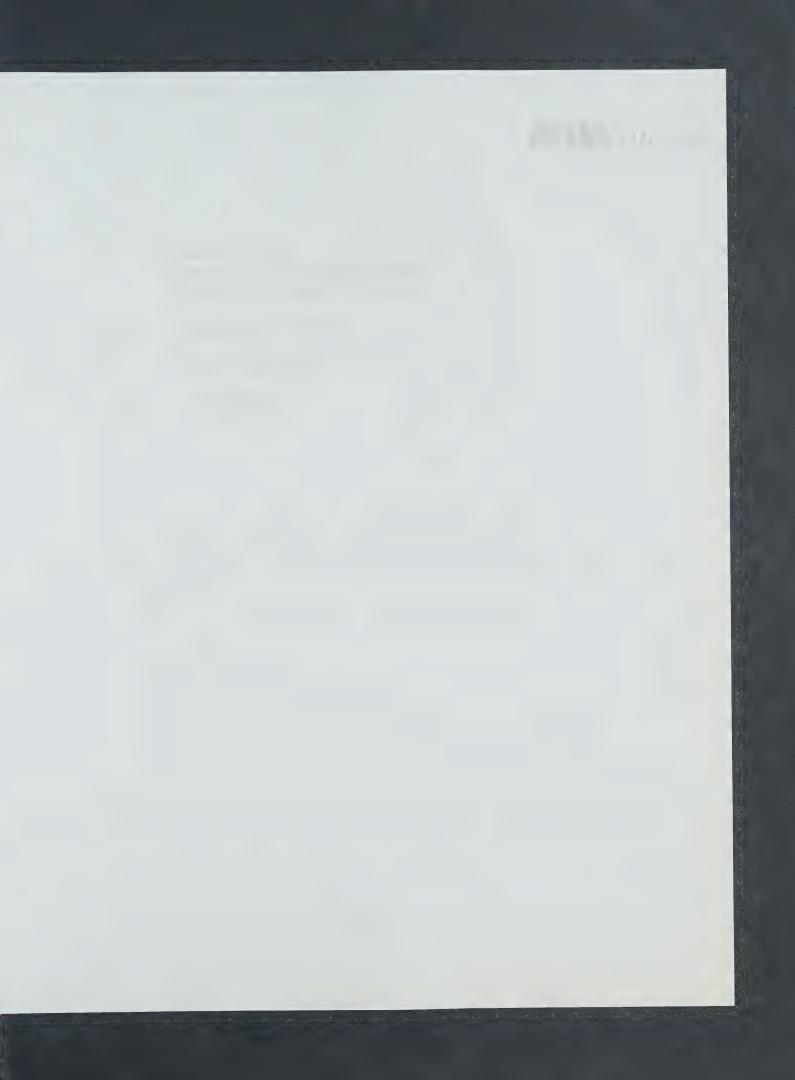
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- 3) Send the forms to my attention; I will ensure that they get to the Business Office, that the gifts in kind are booked on Alfred's donor record, and that proper acknowledgement is made (although no receipt will be generated, since that has been looked after by Sotheby's, the Vice-Principal Advancement likes to express his appreciation for these gifts)

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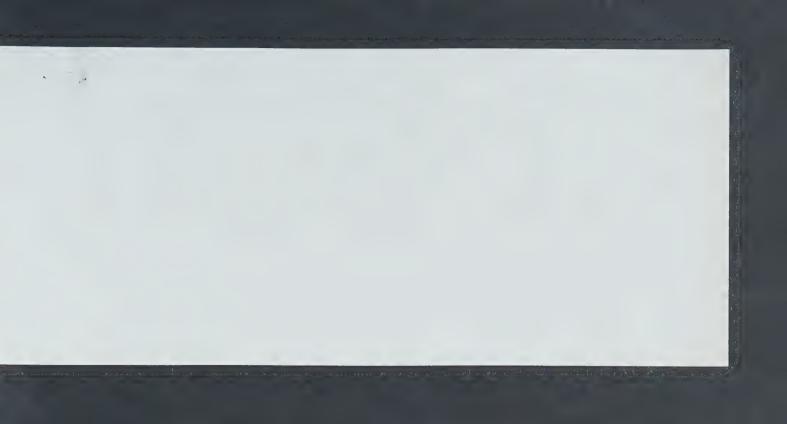
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## Facsimile Transmittal

To: Ms. Donna Carlson, Art Dealers Association of America

Fax no.: 212 940 6484

Re: Evaluation for Dr. Alfred Bader

Date: 26 November 2001

Pages, including cover: 1

Dear Ms. Carlson,

On 29 October, Dr. Alfred Bader submitted information related to a request for evaluation of two paintings that he was donating to the Agnes Etherington Art Centre. I would just like to add some details that are of potential relevance to this evaluation. The two paintings arrived here recently, and we had a chance to inspect them. One of the important surprises was the frame of the De Gelder painting (*Judah and Thamar*). Dr. Bader had already warned the shippers that it was very heavy. Its extra weight is due to the fact that it is a carved wood frame, rather than a composition frame. Furthermore, its decoration points to a very specific dating. It shows distinctive "C and S" motifs, and bands, that point to the regency period in France, ca. 1715-1722. It was made only a few years after the painting, and may indeed be the original frame for it. It is in good condition, with some cracking and loss of gilding. In some parts the thin plaster base for the gilding has also given way, revealing the carved wood structure underneath. I hope this information is of some use to you. If you have any questions or require documentation or clarification, please contact me at the address or numbers given above.

Sincerely yours,

From the desk of:

David de Witt
Bader Curator of European Art
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Queen's University
Kingston, Ontario K7L 3N6
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Memo to:

David McTavish, Jan Allen, David deWitt

From:

Dorothy

Date:

25 June 2001

Re:

Reporting of Gifts from American Donors.

A situation has arisen in regard to a gift by Alfred Bader, but could equally apply to any US donation of artwork to the AEAC.

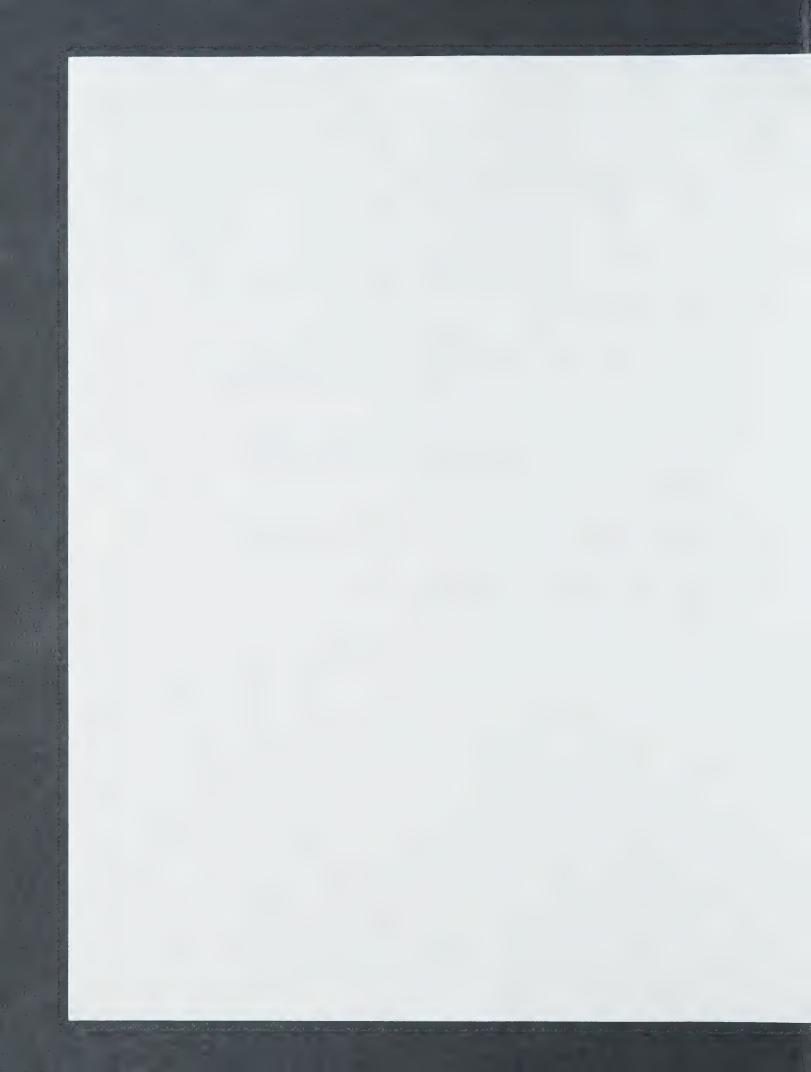
Alfred's donation of the P. Koninck has gone unreported on Queen's University's US income tax report (tax year 2000). Therefore, Queen's is under-reported by US \$1,000,000. Alfred seems to have received whatever he needed for his income tax as no one has heard otherwise from him. But this gift fell through the cracks at Queen's because we assumed Alfred was in close contact with Advancement about all such matters.

Alfred's gifts are not processed through the AEAC. We do not fasciliate his US income tax receipts. His file is handled by the Advancement Office. In future, any gifts by Alfred with the appropriate value, or any similar gifts from other US citizens, should be reported to Kim Borek at the Advancement Business Office.

It was only when our annual report to Financial Services could not be reconciled with that from the Advancement Office that this error was discovered. It will require the university to submit a correction to US Revenue.

I have promised that we will do our part to keep Advancement informed.

Thanks.



Dr. Alfred Bader 2961 North Shepard Avenue Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53211

(414) 962-5169

May 13, 2002

Dr. David de Witt Bader Curator of European Art The Agnes Etherington Art Centre Queen's University University Avenue at Queen's Crescent Kingston, ON K7L 3N6 CANADA

Dear David,

Enclosed please find the original appraisal, which must be returned in its entirety, signed by your Director and dated in Part IV. Please make certain that the appraisal, signed by your Director, is returned to my gallery promptly.

You will have received the fax with the invoice which I trust has already been paid.

I just heard from Bert van Deun, who looked at the Cornelis van Haarlem in Lucerne and reported that the photograph is much better than the painting and that he recommends against bidding.

Please fax directions to Daskia J. Manh

With best wishes as always I remain

Yours sincerely,

Alfred Bader AB/az

Enc.



# Milwaukee Art Museum

Fax Cover Sheet

Visit MAM for these exhibitions!

Empire of the Sultans: Ottoman Art from the Khalili Collection

February 22 - April 28, 2002

Vito Acconci: Acis of Architecture

March 22 - May 19, 2002

Geometry/Form/Photography May 3 - August 25, 2002

New Prints from Landfall Press

February 8 - April 28, 2002

The Truth Lies Within: Furniture Fakes from the Chipstone Collection

February 15 - June 9, 2002

For more information, visit our Web site at www.mam.org.

TO:

David de Witt

COMPANY:

Agnes Etherington Art Centre

FAX #:

613-533-6765

PHONE #:

613-533-6765

FROM:

Leigh Albritton

FAX #:

414-271-7588

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DATE:

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### COMMENTS/DIRECTIONS:

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Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Leigh Albritton

Copy to: Jim De Young





## MILWAUKEE ART MUSEUM

### PRO-FORMA INVOICE

TO:

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Attn: Dr. David de Witt Tel: 613-533-2190

FROM:

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Milwaukee, WI 53202

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### ALFRED BADER FINE ARTS

DR. ALFRED BADER

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March 6, 2002

Mrs. Janet Brooke, Director The Agnes Etherington Art Centre Queen's University University Avenue at Queen's Crescent Kingston, ON K7L 3N6 CANADA

Dear Mrs. Brooke,

You must have realized how very much Isabel and I enjoyed meeting you last week and realizing how much you know and are interested in old master paintings and that you even have experience with the works of Wright of Derby.

When the Milwaukee Art Museum sent *The Battle of Gibraltar* to be auctioned at Christie's East, it left the old frame here. I have now negotiated with Mr. Jim de Young, Curator of the MAM, to sell the frame to Queen's University for US \$6,000 CIF Queen's University.

CIF means that the Milwaukee Art Museum will pay for the packing, freight and insurance to Kingston but will not pay for customs clearance or customs duties. But I trust there will not be any because the frame is certainly over 100 years old and is a gift to Queen's.

My check for \$6,000 is enclosed. Please send your check to the Milwaukee Art Museum as soon as the frame has arrived safely. Luckily, Queen's has an American bank account, so that if this gift could just get into that account Queen's will not have to change currency back and forth between American and Canadian dollars.

I have asked Jim de Young to pack the frame, which was inspected by David de Witt, and which is in 4 pieces, really carefully. It can then be shipped without any hurry.

The next task will be to restore the painting properly and I look forward to discussing this with you and David when you have considered the various options.

With all good wishes I remain

Yours sincerely,

Alfred Bader AB/az Enc. – ck. \$6,000

C: Dr. David de Witt
Jim de Young, Curator, Milwaukee Art Museum

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April 20, 2002

Ms. Astrid Sanai Art Dealers Association of America, Inc. 575 Madison Avenue New York, NY 10022

Dear Ms. Sanai,

Dr. Bader is traveling until next Wednesday. He would very much appreciate receiving the full Appraisal on the two paintings.

Queen's University has the US \$5,000 to be paid to you immediately upon receipt of your invoice.

Many thanks for your help.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Ann Zuehlke

Gallery Manager

AB/az

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April 26, 2002

Dr. Peter C. Sutton Executive Director The Bruce Museum One Museum Drive Greenwich, CT 06830-7100

Dear Peter,

I enjoyed chatting with you yesterday.

I am concerned about your comments about Walther Bernt for the reason that you will understand when reading p. 214 of my autobiography. As described on p. 229, I purchased the painting from a Munich dealer, Dr. Fetscherin, and if you would like I would be happy to send you copies of my correspondence with him.

When you come to the first paragraph of p. 231 you might disagree with me, hopefully less strongly than you disagree with David McTavish.

You have David's 1984 catalogue "Age of Rembrandt" which included the Sweerts.

There is much in the Rijksmuseum catalogue which I dislike, for instance the horrible cover depicting such a beautiful painting and the postage stamp size illustrations. On the other hand, I find some of the essays such as those on the materials and methods of his paintings, very instructive.



You have not been to Milwaukee for a long time and I would like to show you a few more acquisitions in our collection and many more in the gallery.

Of course some of my best paintings are with Otto, for instance the Minerva and the van de Cappelle which I hope you like as much as I do.

With all good wishes I remain

Yours sincerely,

Alfred Bader

AB/az

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# Facsimile Transmittal

To: Kimberley Borek

Fax no.: 32663

Re: Bader gift 2001

**Date:** 1 May 2002

Pages, including cover: 2

Dear Kimberley Borek,

I verify that the appraised value of the two paintings donated in 2001 by Alfred Bader totals US\$1,425,000; \$550,000 for *Jacob's Dream* by Gerbrand van den Eeckhout, and \$875,000 for *Judah and Tamar* by Arent de Gelder.

Sincerely

From the desk of:

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Bader Curator of European Art
Agnes Etherington Art Centre
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March 22, 2002

Dr. Alfred Bader 924 East Juneau Avenue Astor Hotel -- Suite 622 Milwaukee, WI 58202

Dear Dr. Bader:

The values on the paintings you have asked us to appraise are:

Gerbrand van den Beckhout \$550,000

Arent de Gelder \$875,000

The total appraised value is \$1,425,000.

We shall send you the complete written appraisal shortly.

Gilbert S. Edelson

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-> David de With

12 March 2002

Dr. Alfred Bader Astor Hotel Suite 622 924 East Juneau Avenue Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202 USA

Dear Dr. Bader,

I am so pleased to learn from your letter of 6 March last that you were successful in negotiating the sale of the frame for the Wright of Derby, and equally grateful for your cheque in the amount of \$US 6000.00 for payment of same on receipt from the Milwaukee Art Museum. I have passed the cheque to Barry Fagan with your instructions for deposit into Queen's US bank account, and will be in touch with Jim de Young to organize shipment particulars.

And what a pleasure it is to know that I shall be able to revive my interest in Wright of Derby (not to mention in frame history) — dormant for the past decade — here at the Agnes Etherington Art Centre. I look forward to discussing the restoration of the picture with you and with David; I know it will benefit enormously from treatment.

I feel that my first days at the Agnes Etherington have begun auspiciously, thanks to this most recent iteration of your generosity, and even more importantly, to the very warm way in which you and Isabel received me at the first of what I hope will be many encounters in the months and years to come.

Sincerely,

Janet M. Brooke

Director



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TO:

Agnes Etherington Art Centre

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University Avenue at Queen's Crescent Kingston, Ontario, CANADA K7L 3N6

Attn: Dr. David de Witt Tel: 613-533-2190

FROM:

Milwaukee Art Museum 700 North Art Museum Drive

Milwaukee, WI 53202

Tel: 414-224-3268; fax: 414-271-7588

Leigh Albritton, Registrar

DESCRIPTION:

Shipment of one wood carved frame in one crate.

ITEM:

1 carved wood frame in 4 sections, early 18<sup>th</sup> C.

Crate dimensions: 20h x 116L x 19W in.

Weight: 250lbs.

**TOTAL VALUE SHIPMENT: \$6,000 US** 

Legy Albritton Signed for the Milwaukee Art Museum

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April 23, 2002



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