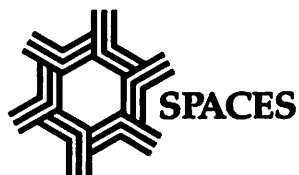


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Dear

It is especially significant at this time to ask for your help in light of the "Washington Meeting on Folk Art" and "The Affects and Effects of Collecting" panel.

Jesse Howard is a Missouri artist who has been painting signs for the last 30 years (see Walker Art Center book - Naives and Visionaries). Jesse has been collected to a point where because of collectors and museums enthusiasm and Jesses' age and health, almost none of his work exists at his home.

The old man, now 98, has little to share and show the occasional visitor or his neighbors of his once extensive collection.

There is something we can do for him, Missouri is accepting nominations for their Missouri Arts Awards (enclosed). A letter of support from you, or a nomination form, can be helpful to give an old man his due - and have something for him to place on his wall.

If there are any questions, please call me.

Due date is November 18, 1983

Thank you,

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