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Mr. Henry Allen Moe,
Director John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation
551 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Mr. Moe:

You have asked me several times in the past for my recommendations of South Americans who merit scholarships, such as you give, which would enable them to study and to continue their work.

I am now writing you about such a person, a Brazilian painter, Mrs. Djanira Gomes Pereira, who has been in the United States for nine months. The Brazilian critics agree that she has extraordinary intuition and that she has real talent. The paintings which both the critics of Rio de Janeiro and I appreciate most are those of children and popular customs. She has an exhibition of her works currently at the New School for Social Research.

Mrs. Gomes Pereira came to the United States on her own initiative, making great financial sacrifices. Her exhibit at the New School has received favorable criticism.

The great Brazilian painter, Portinari, thinks highly of Mrs. Gomes Pereira and undoubtedly would second my recommendation.

Once her financial resources are exhausted, this young artist will have to return to Brazil, unless she receives some help in the form of a scholarship from The Guggenheim Foundation or from some similar fund.

I address myself respectfully to you, certain that this painter whom I recommend is a worthy person of high morals. She would like to take her exposition to other United States cities and, on her return from this tour, to study at some school of painting.

Mrs. Gomes Pereira's address is 606 West 118th Street, New York City.

Will you be good enough to let me know what steps should be taken, in order to apply formally for a scholarship in art for this Brazilian painter? Please address me in care of the Chilean Embassy, Washington, D. C.

Faithfully yours,

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Gabriela Mistral

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