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### SAM GILLIAM

71.520	Patches. 1970	\$2800.
71,519	<u>Of Two</u> . 1970	2500.
71,522	<u>Rio</u> . 1970	2500.
71.517	Displace I. 1971	4000.
71,521	Position. 1971	1800.
71.516	Cowl and Roll. 1971	3000.
71.518	Dorothy Likes. 1971	2800.
71.515	Carrousel Merge. 1971	7500
71.523	Untitled. Watercolor	400.
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total value \$27,700,

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Department of Painting and Sculpture

PROJECTS: SAM WILLIAM
Nov. 9 - Dec. 6, 1971
North West and Far West Galleries

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Of Two. 1970. Synthetic polymer paint on canvas, 7' 10 1/2" x 4' 11 1/2" M-5359(lef+)

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Cowl and Roll. 1971. Synthetic polymer paint on canvas, 9' 6 1/2" x h' 6 1/.
M-5359 (right)

Displace I. 1971. Synthetic polymer paint on canvas, three wood doors, wood pole, cardboard, up to 10' high x 11' wide x 7' deep M-536/

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GILLIAM / Memo

NO. 136 FOR RELEASE: NOVEMBER 17, 1971

PROJECTS: SAM GILLIAM

Mingus has a book now.

I understand that Morris said it has to be about something. Janis Joplin bought a tombstone for Bessie Smith.
Charlie Pride copped a prize as a male vocalist.
Roy Eldridge plays at the Dixieland. (smile)
Ornette Coleman doesn't need a music lesson.
Charles Crodel suggests stubbornness.
Legrace Benson is a female.
Barney thinks too.
What is Sisphus's myth? (happy)
I believe...
What is there to say? (ici)

--Sam

For the current exhibition in the series called "Projects" at The Museum of Modern Art, Sam Gilliam has hung and draped a number of painted canvases in two galleries using the space as a unifying element so that the works can be viewed in as active a situation as possible. The exhibition will be on view through December 6.

Gilliam, once a color field painter, has become more involved in freeing painting from the restrictions of the stretcher, and in the contours, shapes
and almost sculptural presence that result when he adjusts and arranges
painted canvases. In suspending, tying and loosely folding the canvases Gilliam
emphasizes a softness not found in conventional flat paintings that are stretched
and framed. Gilliam's work emphasizes his interest in baroque "S" curves, cowl
shapes, capes and other swirling configurations which were previously limited
to illusionistic representation on the picture plane.

Gilliam likes to adjust and arrange the same canvases in different architectural spaces. Lighting is an integral part of the work as it adds shadows,

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depth and atmosphere. The large work in the smaller gallery is Gilliam's first piece which is more traditionally sculptural in dimension and in intent, but this piece too can be altered according to location.

Sam Gilliam was born in 1933 in Tupelo, Mississippi and now lives in Washington, D.C. He has had several one-man exhibitions since 1963, both in this country and in Europe; he has also participated in important national and international group exhibitions.

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# The Museum of Modern Art

To Sherry de Leon

From Jane Necol

Date Nov. 10, 1971

Re PROJECTS: SAM GILLIAM

Dear Sherry,

Sam Gilliam has removed one work from his project, <u>Position</u>. 1971

Can we arrange to send it back to him in Washington along with a couple of other prints he did not use?

where is it? - viewing room
taking care of

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Exh. 983 Nov. 9, 1971

PROJECTS: SAM GILLIAM (November 9 - December 8, 1971)

### The following by Sam Gilliam:

- CARROUSEL MERGE. 1971. Acrylic and aluminum powder on canvas. 142 h. x 172 w. x 215"d. (irreg., variable).
- 71.516 COWL AND ROLL. (1971). Acrylic on canvas; carlboard roll. 114 1/2h. x 54 1/2 w. x 11" d. (irreg., variable, approx.).
- 71.517 DISPLACE I. (1971). Acrylic on canvas; wood; corrugated cardboard; drop cloth. 120 h. x 132 w. x 84"d. (irreg., variable, and approx.).
- 71.518 DOROTHY LIKES. n.d. Acrylic on canvas. 86 1/2 x 45 1/2 x 8" (irreg., variable, approx.).
- OF TWO. (1970). Acrylic on canvas. 94  $1/2 \times 59 1/2 \times 10^{-2}$ 71.519 8 1/2"(irreg., variable, approx.).
- 105 1/2 x 58 x PATCHES. (1970). Acrylic on canvas. 71.520 16 1/2" (irreg., variable, approx.).
- POSITION. (1970). Acrylic on canvas. Not measured 71.521 before removed from exhibition on November 10.
- RIO. (1970). Acrylic on canvas.  $73 \times 70 \times 17 \frac{1}{2}$ 71.522 (irreg., variable, approx.).
- Untitled drawing. n.d. Watercolor on rice paper. 71.523
- $$22\ 1/2\ h.\ x\ 24\ 1/8^{\prime\prime}w.$$  (sight, irreg.).(Removed Nov. 10.) 71.524 Untitled drawing. 1971. Watercolor on rice paper. 25 h. x 22 1/8"w. (sight, irreg.). (Removed Nov. 10.)

GILLIAM/Memo

# The Museum of Modern Art

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From sdl

Date Nov. 9, 1971

Re GILLIAM

Northwest Gallery:

R of door: Patches.

L of door: Position (removed Nov. 10)

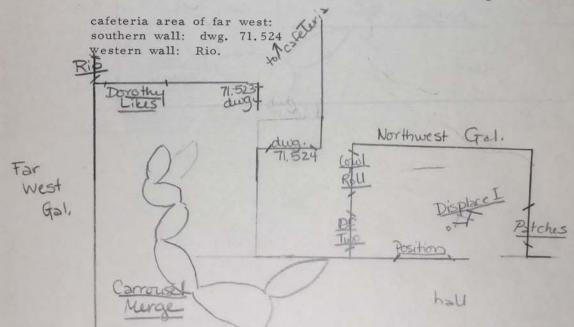
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R side: Cowl and Roll.

center of room: Displace I.

Far West Gallleries:

hall and large far west room: Carrousel Merge.
northern wall of far west room: Dorothy Likes.
\*\*Example of eastern wall: dwg. 71./523



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GILLIAM / Merris Nov. 8, 1971

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# The Museum of Modern Art

Department of Painting and Sculpture, Drawings and Prints, Begistrar, Publicity, Photography, Film, Architecture and Design, International Program

From Wilder Green

To

Date October 1, 1971

Re New exhibition

Please note the following exhibition and its charge number of your list:

PROJECTS: SAM GILLIAM

#253

It will be shown in the Northwest/Far west gallery from November 8 through December 6, 1971. The Director is Kynaston McShine.

cc: Charles Froom Salibello/Waxelbaum

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# iefferson place gallery 2144 p street northwest/washington dc 20037/202 293-1655

Museum of Modern Art 21 West 53rd St.eet N.Y.NY.

Sirs:

This letter will authorize the pick-up of works of Sam Gilliam by Mr. Jim Tanner.

Attn: Miss Jane Nichol

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PROJECTI: GILLIAM /. Memo CC: Sill Farmy THE MUSEUM OF MODERN ART Two white copies to be sent to the Registrar 24 hours or more in advance of collection or delivery; 4 days in advance for outgoing foreign shipments. TO THE REGISTRAR: DATE week of October 25 🛛 from: Sam Gilliam via Ed Zirn Collect from: on (date): Deliver \_ to: Release 🗌 to: at (time): Value if needed for The following objects: (artist, medium, size) insurance or invoice rolled paintings on canvas by Sam Gilliam 3 flush doors ropes and hardware installation in Projects: Sam Gilliam Collect Prepaid CHARGES Bill to: Charge to: Theirs INSURANCE Ours 🖾 Parcel Post Ship 🗌 VIA Railway Express Air Freight [ Theirs 🔯 Theirs Truck: Ours Messenger: Ours Department Painting & Sculpture Signed Jane Necogan New V

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# The Museum of Modern Art

To

Sherry de Leon

cc: C. Froom

From

Jane Necol

Date

November 4, 1971

Re

PROJECTS: SAM GILLIAM

Dear Sherry,

Just to confirm for our records, Sam Gilliam and two companions will be coming into the Museum tomorrow morning around 10 a.m. to start installing Sam's piece(s). We would appreciate having everyting already on the Mezz, as well as the flattruck of watercolors and tools that arrived today on the 54th Street platofrm brought to the North West Gallery tomorrow morning.

In exchange for the loan form, will Sam receive a receipt?

Chuck Froom is alerted to tomorrow morning's activities and will be on hand to work out any little problems that arise, I hope.

Thanks - Jane

Projects: GILLIAM 1/ Hemo

# The Museum of Modern Art

To

Sherry de Leon

cc. D. Vance

From

Jane Necol

K-McShine

Date

Nov. 16, 1971

Re

PROJECTS: SAM GILLIAM

Dear Sherry,

Thank you for taking the extra Gilliam painting, watercolors, prints and frames to the Mezzanine.

The values for insurance purposes while the works are stored till we ascertain whether to return this material before the close of the show or then, with everything else on view are as follows:

The three watercolors are worth \$400 each.

I believe there are 5 proof prints, four on rice paper, fifth on some other kind of paper. Insure each for \$50.

As far as date of arrival, I can only estimate something like Nov. 6 for the prints. Use whatever date you have for the first two watercolors for the third one. I cm't be sure when it arrived.

Sorry for the confusion, but I hadn't expected any of these unexpec ted items to remain after the show opened. Somehow they did.

Thanks for your time and trouble.

11/18 - 3 watercolors to ALS, Rec. of del. for 2 loans to be sent, 5 prints given TR 3547.1-,5 and not insured, on mezz.

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# The Museum of Modern Art

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Date 11/18/71

Re Sam gilliam walundon.

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Washington, D. C. 20009 202-232-0430

When things are dismantled, we should plan to have the canvases rolled (with glassene, I guess?). The 5 prints should be packed lightly too. There are also several plastic and aluminum frames that have to go too, as well as the wooden doors and pole. Also, the Graphics department will remove the vitrine poster and we will send that along. Sam would like it.

Sam Gilliam's dealer, Nesta of the Jefferson Place Gallery, will be calling me early in the week to tell me when Jim Tanner will be coming up to collect everything. The three watercolors in the Art Lending Service are to remain there.

With thanks ....

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Memorandum

Jim fanner will pick up on Friday.

GILLIAM / Memo

# **Museum of Modern Art**

cc: C. Froom

c: Bill Farnie

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GILLIAM / Memo

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Sherry de Leon

cc: U. Froom

From

Jane Necol

u: Bill Farnie

Date

Dec. 3, 1971

Re

PROJECTS: SAM GILLIAM

Dear Sherry,

Sam Gilliam was in today. We discussed the return of his canvases, prints, etc. and he said he would have the following trucker drive up to collect everything after the show is dismantled on Dec. 8.

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