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## EXHIBITION OF FLOWER PAINTINGS AND BOTANICAL DRAWINGS

to be held in the Summer of 1983 at the Cathedral.

Dear Sir,

From time to time we hold Exhibitions in the Cathedral, and, in recent years these have included David Jones, John Nash, the War Artists of the Second World War, John Piper, and most recently Ceri Richards.

We have been loaned pictures from many of the national galleries, and have been able to satisfy them concerning all matters relating to security, transport, handling, mounting, etc. The whole Cathedral is covered by an alarm system, and the Regimental Chapel, where the Exhibitions are mounted, has special detector devices.

We are contemplating an EXHIBITION OF FLOWER PAINTINGS AND BOTANICAL DRAWINGS. Such names as John Nash, Matthew Smith, Norman Adams, Winifred Nicholson, David Jones, Christopher Wood, Cedric Morris, John and Charles Raven, and Henry Hunt, have been mentioned, and we have been thinking that it mught be possible to draw together a representative exhibition from public and private sources here in the North West. We managed to do this very successfully for our David Jones Exhibition. If we were to include items from the galleries locally this could be a means, as well, of bringing to Manchester a great array of the treasures held by the galleries in the North-West. We would be most interested to hear what flower studies or drawings you possess, and whether or not it might be possible for us to select and borrow some.

It might possibly assist you if I name some of the members of the Panel who are active in the mounting and putting together of our Exhibitions. Lady Joan Worthington, Wr. Francis Hawcroft, Mr. Allen Freer, Mrs. Jan Green, Mr. George Spafford, Mr. Ian Wolfendon, and Mrs. Wendy Parr.

Yours sincerely,

Canon Gwilym Morgan

Sub-Dean, and Chairman of Arts Committee.