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Mr. Michael DeMarsche, Director
Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center
30 West Dale Street
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80908

Dear Mr. DeMarsche:

Please accept my appreciation and warm thanks for orchestrating the upcoming exhibition, *Katrina: Catastrophe And Catharsis* with Arthur Roger.

This show makes visual the emotions of the umpteenth thousands whose lives have been altered by Hurricane Katrina and showcases some of Louisiana's most talented artists. *Katrina: Catastrophe And Catharsis* is an instrument of reason that will travel America and illustrate another perspective of the storm unlike the images the television cameras captured.

The culture we all seek to preserve is rooted in our people. Thank you again for affording this invaluable opportunity for Louisiana artists.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mitch".

Mitchell J. Landrieu

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