

AMERICAN ACADEMY IN ROME

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(PORTA S. PANCRAZIO)

ROME

CABLE ADDRESS

"AMACADMY,,"

Dear

To commemorate the third centenary of Pietro da Cortona's death a colloquium on his art will be held at the American Academy in Rome on Monday and Tuesday June 9 and 10, 1969. The colloquium will open on Monday afternoon with a general session on Pietro da Cortona and the Baroque introduced and chaired by Professor Giulio Carlo Argan. On Tuesday morning Professor Rudolf Wittkower will introduce and chair a session on Pietro da Cortona's architecture, and in the afternoon a session on Pietro da Cortona's paintings and drawings will be introduced and chaired by Professor Giuliano Briganti. The number of participants in the colloquium will be limited in order to make possible an easy exchange and discussion of ideas; for the same reason formal talks will be limited in number and in time. The "official" languages of the colloquium will be Italian and English.

We should be very pleased if you would join the colloquium. Your participation would contribute greatly to its success and significance. I should appreciate it if you would let me know in the near future whether you will be able to attend. Also, if you would like to address the colloquium formally, would you kindly tell me the specific subject of your talk and approximately how long it would be.

Rooms and meals for participants who request them will be provided by the American Academy. With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Donald Posner

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