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WASHINGTON, D.C. August 29, 1960: John Walker, Director of the National Gallery of Art, announced today that the Gallery will open a new Graphic Arts Exhibition Room and a Study Room for the Graphic Arts on October 9. There will be a special exhibition in the Exhibition Room of Manuscript Illuminations, dating from the 11th to the 15th century, from the collection of Lessing J. Rosenwald.

Mr. Walker also announced that on October 9 the Gallery will open a special exhibition, ITALIAN DRAWINGS FROM FIVE CENTURIES. The 150 drawings, including works by Leonardo da Vinci, Raphael, and Michelangelo, have been borrowed from Italian museums and constitute the most important exhibition of its kind ever shown in the United States. They will remain on view at the Gallery through Sunday, November 6.

A full release on these exhibitions will be sent ten days before they are to open.

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