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ADVANCE PASSES FOR IMPRESSIONIST EXHIBITIONS

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WASHINGTON, D.C., March 9, 1990 - Advance passes to see the National Gallery of Art exhibitions, Masterpieces of Impressionism and Post-Impressionism: The Annenberg Collection and The Passionate Eye: Impressionist and Other Master Paintings from the Collection of Emil G. Bührle, which open to the public on May 6, will be available free of charge beginning April 2, 1990. Visitors may obtain advance passes for both exhibitions at the East Building pass desk and the West Building information room adjacent to the rotunda. Entrance to the exhibitions will be by pass only.

Advance passes can also be obtained at all TicketCenter locations for a service charge of \$1.50 per pass and through TicketCenter's nationwide PhoneCard service for a service charge of \$2.00 per pass. To order by telephone please use the following numbers:

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Beginning May 6 there will be a limited number of same-day passes available at the National Gallery in the East Sculpture Hall of the West Building for Masterpieces of Impressionism and Post-Impressionism: The Annenberg Collection. Same-day passes for The Passionate Eye: Impressionist and Other Master Paintings from the Collection of Emil G. Bührle will be available at the East Building special exhibition desk. These passes will be distributed each day on a first-come, first-served basis. Same-day passes will not be available by telephone or mail.

Masterpieces of Impressionism and Post-Impressionism: The Annenberg Collection, made possible by GTE Corporation, will be on view May 6 through August 5, 1990. The Passionate Eye: Impressionist and Other Master Paintings from the Collection of Emil G. Bührle, made possible by Martin Marietta Corporation can be seen May 6 through July 15, 1990.

The exhibitions can be seen during the National Gallery's regular hours: Monday through Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Sunday, 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The National Gallery is located between Third and Seventh Streets along Constitution Avenue, N.W., in Washington, D.C. For more information, call (202) 737-4215.