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For the past seventeen years, the Shell Oil Company Foundation has been privileged to work with the National Gallery of Art to help bring the light and magic of Dutch art to the attention of our friends and customers in the United States.

Small Wonders: Dutch Still Lifes by Adriaen Coorte is the ninth in this series of Shell Oil Company Foundation sponsorships and the first Coorte exhibition to be mounted in this country. The Shell Oil Company Foundation sponsors exhibitions like *Small Wonders* because we are committed to giving back to the customers we serve and the communities that welcome us. We have chosen the National Gallery of Art as a partner because of its richly deserved reputation as the premier venue for the finest and most exciting art in the nation and in the world.

While this exhibition may be small in size, we are confident you will agree that its wonders are immense. We commend the National Gallery for its unique ability to raise the work of Adriaen Coorte to a new level of public awareness and appreciation in the United States and throughout the world.