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PRESS PREVIEWS:

Thursday, February 7, 1980, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. for the Gallery's major American paintings exhibition American Light: The Luminist Movement (1850-1875). The exhibition is installed in the ground floor exhibition galleries in the West Building--use entrance at Constitution Avenue. The exhibition will be on view from February 10 through June 15. Coffee from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Thursday, February 14, 1980, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. for In Praise of America: Masterworks of American Decorative Arts, 1650-1830. The exhibition is installed in the upper level galleries in the East Building. The exhibition will be on view from February 17 through July 6. No coffee due to location of exhibition.

Television crews are advised to contact the Gallery's Information Office in advance.

February 1, 1980

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