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## **Celebrating 175: Correspondence, Steinberg, Saul, circa 1943-1962**

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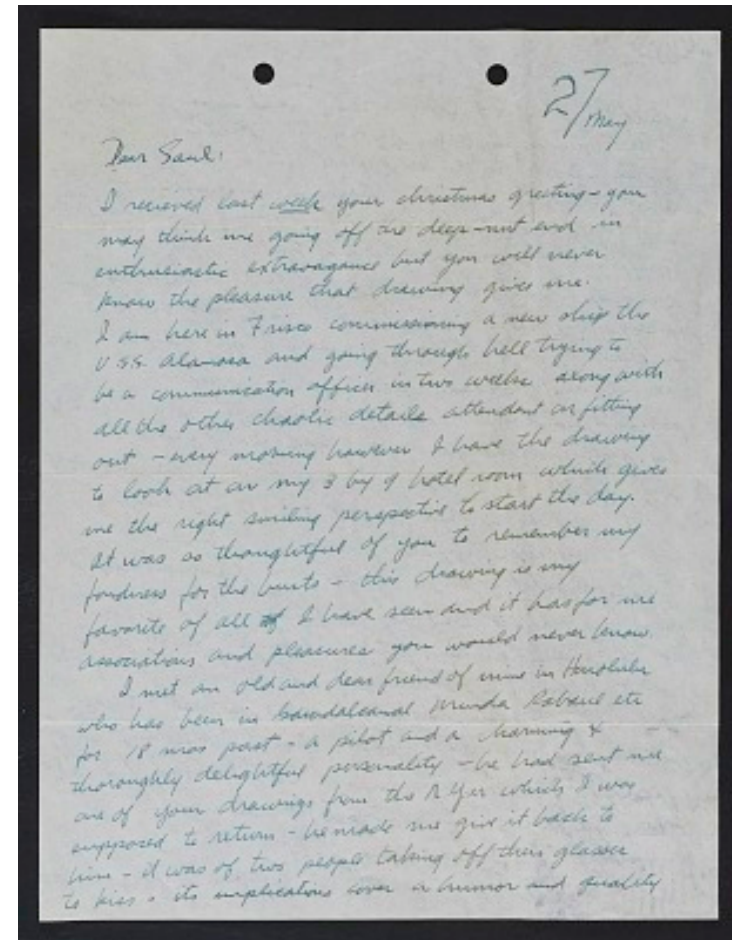
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Dear Saul:

I received last week your Christmas greeting-you may think we going off the deep end and in enthusiastic extravagance but you will never know the pleasure that drawing gives me. I am here in Frisco commissioning a new ship the U.S.S. Alamosa and going through hell trying to be a communication officer in two weeks along with all the other chaotic details attendant on fitting out - every morning however I have the drawing to look at in my 3 by 9 hotel room which gives me the right smiling perspective to start the day. It was so thoughtful of you to remember my fondness for the busts - this drawing is my favorite of all I have seen and it has for me associations and pleasures you would never know. I met an old and dear friend of mine in Honolulu who has been in Guadalcanal Munda Rabaul etc. past - a pilot and a charming & thoroughly delightful personality - he had sent me one of your drawings from the N. Y. er which I was supposed to return - he made me give it back to him - it was of two people taking off their glasses to kiss - its implications over a humor and quality.



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