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artist, n. [1. artist; 2. *artist*]. Fr. *artiste*, fr. Ital., fr.  
Low Lat. *artista*, fr. *artem*, see art, & -ist. 1. A  
skilled performer, one who is proficient, one  
possessing address, competence, neatness in execu-  
tion, combined with aesthetic feeling and taste:

designer, n. [1. *deziner*; 2. *dizaine*]. design (l.) & -er.  
a One who designs, esp. one who invents plans  
from which things are constructed, decorated & c.

photographer, n. [1. *fotografer*; 2. *fotograf*].  
Prec. & -er. Person who takes photographs;  
specif., one who does this professionally as a  
business.

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Dear Seymour,

I was glad to get your letter — Allan Porter told me about you, and then because I didn't follow up, it went out of mind.

I'll enclose some material relating to Fred Smith, and also another new environment called Ellsworth Gardens. Don Howlett and Lisa Stone tell me that the Kohler Foundation is coming out soon with their long-awaited monograph on Fred.

If you are interested, I have black + whites ready-to-exhibit on Fred Smith, and 20 Color chrome

one

8x10 color prints, along with captions  
and bio on Jack Ellsworth. At the  
moment the Ellsworth group is at the  
Field Museum under consideration  
for an exhibit there. But I do have  
a miniature set, which I'll send  
along. I've tried to get these things  
published, but no luck so far.

I turned over my original documents  
to the Archives of American Art on  
both these artists, but do have xeroxes  
of everything.

Wisconsin Public TV did a 10 minute  
documentary on Fred Smith which  
includes Jim Tanzi and me, which  
I have also.

I'm sure you'll find the Ellsworth  
environment fascinating.

My best,  
Bob Amft