THE MUSEUM OF MODERN ART

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PEOPLE'S ART CENTER COURSES

The People's Art Center, inaugurated last fall by the Museum of Modern Art, 11 West 53 St., for both children and adults, will give another series of courses in the coming season. Registration for courses must be made by January 21. Aiming to satisfy the varying creative interests of the community, the series will again include courses in painting, pottery and ceramic sculpture, jewelry, woodworking and design; with special preliminary orientation courses to determine individual aptitudes and experimental courses for parents to help towards greater development of their children's creative expression.

Two new adult courses have been added to the series: <u>Understand-</u> <u>ing Modern Art</u>, a course for laymen dealing with basic elements such as composition, color, symbolism, abstraction, social content; and <u>Creative Development of Children, Aged 3-12 Years</u>, including such topics as "The Therapeutic Value of Art in Child Growth" and "Tools and Materials for Children at School and at Home."

Information regarding courses may be obtained from the Educational Program, Museum of Modern Art, 11 W. 53 Street.

CHILDREN'S FAIR OPEN TO PUBLIC VIEW

In response to many requests from parents, the two galleries of the Children's Holiday Fair, which for the past 5 weeks have been set apart for children only, will be open to the general public for one week, from January 10 through 16. Adults who have been barred from disturbing the children at work may now pass through the red turnstile, push the wooden buttons to set in motion the peepshows, hear the fair music, watch the merry-go-round and the changing slide projections of paintings. They will be able to see the kind of equipment and materials the Museum recommends for stimulating the creative activity of children. In the gallery where children have been making paintings, collages and picture transparencies, may be seen selected examples of the works in these media produced by the children during the Fair period.

EXHIBITION OF WORK DONE BY CHILDREN AT THE HOLIDAY FAIR A comprehensive selection of paintings, collages and picture transparencies done by children attending the Holiday Fair from Dec. 8 to Jan. 9, will be put on exhibition at the Museum on Jan. 25 to remain on view on the 2nd floor until Feb. 27.

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