

# THE MUSEUM OF MODERN ART

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MUSEUM TO BUILD NEW ANNEX DESIGNED BY PHILIP C. JOHNSON

On July 14, the Museum of Modern Art, 11 West 53 Street, will begin construction on a new 7-story annex just west of the present building, on 53rd Street. Designed by the well-known architectural designer Philip C. Johnson, Director of the Museum's Department of Architecture and Design, the new building will be of concrete with exposed steel and glass facade. Mr. Johnson has designed it to be in keeping with the architecture of the new Whitney Museum of American Art, to be built next year on the adjoining land on West 54th Street.

The new annex will supply space for the People's Art Center of the Museum of Modern Art, which will enable the school to move from 681 Fifth Avenue, where space is now being rented. The 3rd and 4th floors will be set aside for the children's and adults' classes.

The 1st floor will be used for entrance of all office visitors; the 2nd floor will be for storage of paintings; and the 5th, 6th and 7th floors for Museum offices.

During building operations it will be impossible to serve lunch and refreshments in the Museum Garden. However, lunch and tea are served on the Penthouse of the Museum to Museum Members.

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