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PLANS BEING MADE FOR GALA BENEFIT PREVIEW AT MUSEUM OF MODERN ART

A gala benefit preview, called "Collectors' First Choice," organized by the Museum of Modern Art's Junior Council, will be held at the Museum, 11 West 53 Street, on April 24 from 9 p.m. to 12 p.m. Under the chairmanship of Mrs. Sawyer G. Dewey and Mrs. John Pierrepont, the preview will benefit the Junior Council's program fund. On view will be an unusual exhibition titled RECENT DRAWINGS U.S.A., which will remain at the Museum through August 6. Those attending the preview will have the first opportunity to purchase from the 150 drawings in the exhibition, selected from more than 5,000 submitted by artists in all parts of the country.

The Junior Council, a group of young volunteers who work actively within the Museum program, initiates and sponsors such activities as the Art Lending Service, symposia on the arts, film programs and exhibitions. RECENT DRAWINGS U.S.A. is the second large show they have sponsored to emphasize new directions in American art and to present work by young and lesser known artists. The Council is under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Donald B. Straus. Mrs. E. Powis Jones is Chairman of the Junior Council Exhibition Committee and Paul J. Sachs, Professor Emeritus of Harvard University, is Honorary Chairman. William S. Lieberman, Curator of Prints at the Museum, directed the exhibition.

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