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The Museum of Modern Art, 11 West 53 Street, will devote its large second-floor gallery to an Exhibition of Posters by Cassandre which will be open to the public on Wednesday, January 15. Twentytwo posters in color and four original designs will be shown in a variety of sizes from less than two feet square to nearly fourteen by sixteen feet. The Exhibition, which will remain on view through Sunday, February 16, has been arranged by Miss Ernestine M. Fantl, Curator of the Museum's Department of Architecture and Industrial Art.

A. Mouron Cassandre is probably the foremost poster designer in the world. Born of French parents in Kharkov, Russia, in 1901, he is a French citizen and lives in Paris. Although he studied in the Academie Julian and in the free schools of Paris, he considers himself self-taught in his particular art. Many painters and illustrators have made designs for posters, but Cassandre is essentially a poster artist and not an easel painter. His first poster was published in 1922 and by 1923 his fame had been established. He has designed about 80 posters, which advertice steamships, wines, choes, horse races, railways, magazines, fairs, tennis matches, newspapers and airlines. Gouache is his general medium, applied conventionally or with paint gun or stipple brush. He also uses montage and a form of stencil made by paper cutouts. He employs stylistically any of the manners of modern painting; examples of cubist and surrealist posters are shown in the Exhibition.

One of the most informal and ubiquitous of all the modern arts, posters are important because of their inescapable influence on everyday life. The eye meets them everywhere. In her foreword to the catalog of the Cassandre Exhibition, Miss Fantl writes: "Poster advertising is possibly as old as painting. It is but a step from the propagandizing of ideas to the advertising of specific objects. Babylon, Egypt, Assyria, Pompeii and Rome all used sign boards, announcements, reliefs that in form were the precursors of the modern poster.

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"With the commercialization of the lithographic process, the poster as we know it today had its real beginning. Before that time placards had been illustrated with woodcuts. The first posters reproduced by lithography were black on white or colored paper. It was not until 1866 that three colors were used.....

"Advertising in general is geared to the intelligence of a child in order to insure universal comprehension. In America the main emphases are apparent: Sex Appeal (young ladies of fabulous face and figure); Statistics (different but equally fabulous figures); Fear (will your best friend tell you?).....

"None of these formulae appear in Cassandre's designs. His railway and steamship posters do not tell you how many miles of rail the company has laid or how many tons the steamship may draw. They merely give you the excitement and magic of travel, or make more incredible the incredible size of an ocean liner. The pretty girl whose head floats over Paris in the <u>Fêtes de Paris</u> poster provides the only direct sex appeal in the exhibition. Perhaps his most widely known posters are those of the little Dubonnet man who appears all over France in a great variety of sizes. His is the universal appeal of Mickey Mouse."

The sixteen-page catalog of the Cassandre Exhibition has a cover design made especially for it by Cassandre and includes nine plates illustrating his work. Its price is twenty-five cents.

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MODERN PAINTINGS AND DRAWINGS GIFT OF MRS. JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, JR.

EXHIBITION, JANUARY 15 THROUGH FEBRUARY 16, 1936

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- BEAL, Gifford American, born 1879
- BECKMANN, Max German, born 1884
- BELLOWS, George American, born 1882
- BLUME, Peter American, born 1906

BRANCHARD, Émile American, born 1881

- BROOK, Alexander American, born 1898
- BURCHFIELD, Charles American, born 1893

- CANADE, Vincent American, born 1879
- CHAGALL, Marc Russian, born 1887
- COLEMAN, Glenn O. American, 1887-1932
- DAVIS, Stuart American, born 1892

- 1. The Battery (about 1916) Watercolor, 13¹/₄ x 19¹/₂ inches
- 2. Family Picture (1920) Oil on canvas, 25½ x 39¼ inches
- 3. Under the Elevated Watercolor, $5\frac{3}{4} \times 87/8$ inches
- 4. Study for "Parade" (1929) Oil on paper, 20 1/8 x 13 7/8 inches
- 5. Parade (1930) Oil on canvas, $49\frac{1}{4} \times 56\frac{1}{4}$ inches
- 6. Museum (1932) Pencil drawing, 13 5/8 x 8 7/8 inches
- 7. Harps (1932) Pencil drawing, $13\frac{1}{2} \times 12\frac{1}{4}$ inches
- 8. Obelisk (1932) Pencil drawing, 16¹/₂ x 12 inches
- 9. Elemosina (1933) Pencil drawing, 13 5/8 x $10\frac{1}{2}$ inches
- 10. Landscape Ink drawing, $10\frac{1}{2} \times 16\frac{1}{2}$ inches
- 11. George Biddle Playing the Flute(1929)
 0il on canvas, 40¼ x 30¼ inches
- 12. Standing Figure Pencil drawing, 23 x 16 inches
- 13. Rogues' Gallery (1916)
 Watercolor, 13 5/8 x 19 5/8 inches
- 14. The City (1916) Watercolor, 13 3/8 x 19 3/8 inches
- 15. Insects at Twilight (1917) Watercolor, 14 x 1934 inches
- 16. Garden of Memories (1917) Watercolor, $25\frac{3}{4} \times 22\frac{1}{2}$ inches
- 17. Beech Trees (1917) Watercolor, $2l_{4}^{1} \times 17$ inches
- 18. The First Hepaticas (1918) Watercolor, 21 x 27 inches
- 19. The Interurban Line (1920) Watercolor, 14³/₄ x 20³/₄ inches
- 20. Self Portrait (about 1926) Oil on composition board, 18 5/8 x 14 inches
- 21. Adam and Eve (1910) Black wash and watercolor, 7 3/4 x 11 3/8 inches
- 22. Angelo's Place (1929) Oil on canvas, 25 x 34¹/₄ inches
- 23. Sketch for "Cherry Hill" Gouache, 10 5/8 x 7 7/8 inches
- 24. Composition No. 3 (about 1934) Ink drawing, 21½ x 29½ inches
- 25. Composition No. 5 (about 1934) Ink drawing, 21% x 29% inches

DEMUTH, Charles American, 1883-1934

DERAIN, André French, born 1880

DICKINSON, Preston American, 1891-1930

DIX, Otto German, born 1891

- DU BOIS, Guy Pène American, born 1884
- EILSHEMIUS, Louis American, born 1864
- FREE, Karl American, born 1903
- GAUDIER-BRZESKA, Henri French, 1891-1915
- GRIS, Juan (José Gonzales) Spanish, 1887-1927)
- HART, George O. ("Pop") American, 1868-1933

- 26. Strolling (1912) Watercolor, $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5$ 1/8 inches
- 27. Flowers (1915) Watercolor, 82 x ll inches
- 28. In Vaudeville (1916) Watercolor, 12 7/8 x 7 7/8 inches
- 29. At Laura's (1916) Watercolor, 8½ x 10% inches
- 30. Eight O'clock (1917) Watercolor, 7 7/8 x 10 1/8 inches
- 31. At a House in Harley Street (1918) Watercolor, 8 x 11 inches
- 32. Acrobats (1919) Watercolor, 12 7/8 x 7 7/8 inches
- 33. Stairs, Provincetown (1920) Watercolor, 23¹/₂ x 19 3/8 inches
- 34. In the Key of Blue (about 1920) Gouache, 19½ x 15½ inches
- 35. Corn and Peaches (1929) Watercolor, 133 x 193 inches
- 36. Bacchic Dance (about 1906) Watercolor, 192 x 252 inches
- 37. Harlem River Oil on canvas, 16 $1/8 \ge 20\frac{1}{4}$ inches
- 38. Plums on a Plate (1926) Oil on canvas, 14 x $20\frac{1}{4}$ inches
- 39. Still Life (1926) Pastel, 21 x 14 inches
- 40. Environs of New York Pastel, $ll_{2}^{\frac{1}{2}} \times ll_{4}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ inches
- 41. Child with Doll (1928) Oil on wood, $29\frac{1}{4} \times 15\frac{1}{4}$ inches
- 42. Americans in Paris (1927) Oil on canvas, 29 x 36¹/₂ inches
- 43. In the Studio Oil on composition board, 22章 x 14章 inches
- 44. Fantasia (1928) Watercolor, 112 x 15 1/8 inches
- 45. Wind-blown Trees (1932) Watercolor, 13¹/₂ x 17 7/8 inches
- 46. Nude (1913) Ink drawing, 15 x 10 inches
- 47. Still Life (1916) Oil on wood, 12 5/8 x 15 inches
- 48. Tahitian Girl (1903) Watercolor, 13 x 8¹/₂ inches
- 49. The Hudson (1925) Watercolor and ink, 17¹/₄ x 23¹/₄ inches
- 50. Riding Ponies, Palisades Amusement Park (1936) Watercolor and pastel, 13²/₄ x 12 inches

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- HECKEL, Erich German, born 1893
- HILER, Hilaire American, born 1900
- HOPPER, Edward American, born 1882
- JACOB, Max French, born 1876
- KANE, John American, 1859-1934
- KANTOR, Morris American, born 1896
- KARFIOL, Bernard American, born 1886

- KLEE, Paul Swiss, born 1879
- KOPMAN, Benjamin American, born 1887

- 51. Merry-go-round, (Oaxaca, Mexico, 1927) Watercolor, 17¹/₄ x 23¹/₄ inches
- 52. The Jury (Mexico, 1927) Ink, wash and charcoal, $14\frac{1}{4} \times .19\frac{1}{4}$ inches
- 53. Fruit Packers (Tehuantepec, Mexico, 1927) Watercolor and ink, $17\frac{1}{4} \times 23\frac{1}{4}$ inches
- 54. Orchestra at Cock Fight (Mexico, 1928) Watercolor and pastel, 17 5/8 x 23 5/8 inches
- 55. The Sultan's Messenger (Fez, Morocco, 1929) Watercolor and pastel, 16 3/8 x 22 3/8 inches
- 56. Horse Sale Trying the Horses (Fez, Morocco, 1929) Watercolor, 174 x 231 inches
- 57. Waterfront, Palma, Majorca (1929) Ink, wash and charcoal, $14\frac{1}{4} \ge 19\frac{1}{4}$ inches
- 58. Landscape (1922) Watercolor, 184 x 234 inches
- 59. Pouter Pigeons (1928) Gouache, $14\frac{2}{4} \times 18$ inches
- 60. Mrs. Acorn's Parlor (Rockland, Maine, 1926) Watercolor, 14 x 20 inches
- 61. Box Factory, Gloucester (1928) Watercolor, 14 x 20 inches
- 62. Three Figures (1928) Gouache, 13 7/8 x 124 inches
- 63. Homestead Oil on canvas, 24 x 27 inches
- 64. South Truro Church (1934) Oil on canvas, 24¹/₄ x 27¹/₄ inches
- 65. Seated Nude (1929) Oil on canvas, 40 x 30 inches
- 66. Hilda (1929) Watercolor, $9\frac{1}{4} \times 13\frac{1}{4}$ inches
- 67. Fishing Village (1932) Watercolor, 10 x 14 3/4 inches
- 68. Standing Figure Drawing in brown ink, 14 x 7 inches
- 69. Seated Nude Drawing in brown ink, 133 x 9 7/8 inches
- 70. Slavery (1925) Gouache, 10 x 14 inches
- 71. Head (1929) Oil on canvas, 23 x $18\frac{1}{4}$ inches
- 72. The Ruin (1930) Oil on canvas, 25 5/8 x $36\frac{1}{4}$ inches

KROHG, Per Norwegian, born 1889

- KUHN, Walt American, born 1880
- KUNIYOSHI, Yasuo American, born 1893
- MARIN, John American, born 1870
- MARQUET, Albert French, born 1875
- MATISSE, Henri-French, born 1869

MAUNY, Jacques French, born 1892

MAURER, Alfred H. American, 1868-1932

MODIGLIANI, Amedeo Italian, 1884-1920

NASH, Tom English

O'KEEFFE, Georgia American, born 1887

OROZCO, José Clemente Mexican, born 1883 - 4 -

- 74. Apples in the Hay (1932) 30 x 40 inches
- 75. Woman in Clown Costume (1928) Ink drawing, 16 x 11 3/8 inches
- 76. Girl from Show Boat (1928) Ink drawing, 16 5/8 x 9 3/8 inches

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- 77. Fisherman (1924) Lithographic crayon and ink, 21¹/₂ x 27¹/₂ inches
- 78. Plant (1925) Lithographic crayon and ink, 20 x 132 inches
- 79. Camden Mountain across the Bay(1922) Watercolor, $17\frac{1}{4} \times 20\frac{1}{2}$ inches
- 80. The Jetty (1928) Watercolor, 8 7/8 x 11 1/8 inches
- 81. Bather (about 1908) Oil on canvas, 36½ x 29¼ inches
- 82. Gourds (1916) Oil on canvas, $25\frac{1}{2} \times 32$ inches
- 83. Girl in Feathered Hat (1918) Ink drawing, 14 3/8 x 181 inches
- 84. Seated Nude Pencil drawing, 15 x 10 7/8 inches
- 85. In Port Oil on composition board, 11 5/8 x 11 ½ inches
- 86. The Louvre and the Artist Gouache, 10 x 131 inches
- 87. Picasso Gouache, 10 x $13\frac{1}{2}$ inches
- 88. Flowers in Green Vase (1928) Watercolor and gouache, 21 3/8 x 17 3/4 inches
- 89. Man with a Hat Pencil drawing, 18 7/8 x ll¹/₂ inches
- 90. Seated Nude Pencil drawing, 16¹/₂ x 10 inches
- 91. The Wash Line Oil on paper, 9½ x 13 5/8 inches
- 92. Banana Flower (Bermuda, 1933) Charcoal drawing, 21% x 14% inches
- 93. Katchina (New Mexico, 1934) Charcoal drawing, 25 x 18 7/8 inches
- 94. Eagle Claw and Bean Necklace (1934) Charcoal drawing, 18 7/8 x 25 1/8 inches
- 95. Katchina (New Mexico, 1934) Charcoal drawing, 25 1/8 x 18 7/8 inches
- 96. The Subway. (1928) Oil on canvas, 16 1/8 x 22 1/8 inches

PASCIN, Jules Bulgarian, 1885-1930

- pICASSO, Pablo Spanish, born 1881
- PRENDERGAST, Maurice American, 1859-1924

REDON, Odilon French, 1840-1916

- ROUAULT, Georges French, born 1871
- ROY, Pierre French, born 1880

SHAHN, Ben American, born 1898

SHEELER, Charles American, born 1883

- 97. Girls on Bench Watercolor, 8 3/8 x 9 5/8 inches
- 98. Picnickers Watercolor, 7 $1/8 \ge 10\frac{3}{4}$ inches
- 99. Cab in Havana Watercolor, $4\frac{1}{2} \ge 65/8$ inches
- 100. Port of Havana Watercolor, $4\frac{3}{4} \ge 7\frac{1}{2}$ inches
- 102. Still Life (1918) Watercolor and gouache, 5½ x 4½ inches
- 103. Dancers (1925) Ink drawing, 13호 x 10 inches
- 104. Camp Vittoria Emanuele, Siena (1898) Watercolor, 11¹/₄ x 13³/₄ inches
- 105. Festival, Venice (1898) Watercolor, 16 5/8 x 14 inches
- 106. The East River (1901) Watercolor, 13²/₄ x 19³/₄ inches
- 107. April Snow, Salem (1906-07) Watercolor, $14\frac{3}{4} \times 215/8$ inches
- 107A. Landscape Watercolor, 14호 x 18 inches
 - 108. Revery Pastel, 21 x $14\frac{1}{4}$ inches
 - 109. Seated Nude Sanguine drawing, 19 3/8 x 13 3/8 inches
 - 110. Man with Spectacles (1917)
 Watercolor, 11⅔ x 6 5/8 inches
 - 111. Monique (1929) Gouache and pastel, 20 x 14 inches
 - 112. The Road is Long(1929) Watercolor and pastel, 194 x 13inches
 - 113. Danger on the Stairs Oil on canvas, $36\frac{1}{4} \ge 23\frac{3}{4}$ inches
 - 114. Bartolomeo Vanzetti and Nicola Sacco (1932) Gouache, 10늘 x 14불 inches
 - 115. Tiger Lilies
 Pencil drawing, 15 x ll inches
 - 116. Tulips and Etruscan Vase (1922) Pencil drawing, 21 x 15²/₄ inches
 - 117. Self Portrait (1923) Black conté crayon, 19 3/8 x 25[±]inches
 - 118. American Landscape (1930)
 Oil on canvas, 24 x 31 inches
 - 119. Bucks County Barns (1932) Oil on canvas, 24 x 30 inches
 - 120. Still Life,(1933) Black conte crayon, 22 x 16 inches

SPENCER, Niles American, born 1893

- STEER, P. Wilson English, born 1860
- VERGE-SARRAT, Henri French, born 1884
- WALKOWITZ, Abraham American, born 1880
- WEBER, Max American, born 1881
- ZORACH, Marguerite American, born 1888

ZORACH, William American, born 1887

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- 121. City Walls (1921) Oil on canvas, $39\frac{1}{2} \times 28\frac{3}{4}$ inches
- 122. Sandwich Bay (1931) Watercolor, 9¹/₄ x 12¹/₄ inches
- 123. Assouan (1930) Gouache and ink, $16\frac{1}{4} \times 13\frac{1}{4}$ inches
- 124. Hudson River Landscape with Figures Watercolor, 21¹/₄ x 29¹/₄ inches
- 125. Still Life with Chinese Teapot Oil on canvas, 20 x 24¹/₄ inches
- 126. Head (1929) Charcoal on board, 16 1/8 x 13 inches
- 127. Saturday Night in a New England Kitchen (1915) Watercolor, 11 1/8 x 15 1/8 inches
- 128. The Country Sociable, New Ingland
 (1915)
 Watercolor, 12 x 17¹/₄ inches
- 129. The Pollanders Family (1915) Watercolor, 12 3/8 x 16 7/8 inches
- 130. New England Interior (1915) Watercolor, 10 7/8 x 15 5/8 inches
- 131. Kitchen Interior (1915) Watercolor, 10 7/8 x 14[±] inches
- 132. Resting (1915) Watercolor, 12 x 15 inches
- 133. Portrait of Yasuo Kuniyoshi Pencil drawing, 18¹/₄ x 13 inches
- 134. Spring (1927) Watercolor, 15 1/8 x 22 inches
- 135. Fisherman (1927) Watercolor, 14 5/8 x 21³/₄ inches