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MUSEUM OF MODERN ART RECEIVES BRONZE HEAD OF ANNE MORROW LINDBERGH AND OTHER ACQUISITIONS IN PAINTING AND SCULPTURE

The Museum of Modern Art, 11 West 53 Street, opens three new exhibitions today, Wednesday, October 23, selected from the Museum's Collections. The exhibitions, all of which include new acquisitions, are <u>Modern Sculpture</u>, <u>Modern Painting</u> and <u>American</u> <u>Dancing and the Denishawns</u>. The painting and sculpture exhibitions will remain on view until January; the dance exhibition until November 17.

In the Museum's sculpture collection new acquisitions include a portrait head in bronze of Anne Morrow Lindbergh by the noted French sculptor, Charles Despiau, the gift of Colonel and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh. Among the new acquisitions in the painting collection are oils by the Czech artist, Oskar Kokoschka, often considered the greatest painter of central Europe, and the American artists Dean Fausett, Loren MacIver and Fen Shahn.

The exhibition of painting has been arranged in a series of galleries on the third floor of the Museum. Each of the galleries is given over to a special subject such as nineteenth century French painting, the American Scene, Portraits, Magic Realism, etc. In addition to five American paintings announced during the summer the exhibition will include the following new acquisitions:

> BERARD, Christian (French) <u>Portrait of Jean Cocteau</u>, oil on canvas, 1928 Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Purchase Fund

DE CHIRICO, Giorgio (Italian) <u>Toys of a Prince</u>, oil on canvas, 1914 Purchase Fund

FAUSETT, Dean (American) <u>Derby View</u>, oil on canvas. Purchased from the Southern Vermont Artists' Exhibition at Manchester with a fund given anonymously KOKOSCHKA, Oskar (Czechoslovakian) <u>Portrait of Dr. Tietze and his Wife</u> oil on canvas, 1909 Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Purchase Fund

Self Portrait, oil on canvas, 1913 Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Purchase Fund

- LA FRESNAYE, Roger de (French) Still Life, oil on canvas Gift of Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr.
- MAC IVER, Loren (American) Hopscotch, oil on canvas, 1940 Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Purchase Fund
- OELZE, Richard (German) <u>Expectation</u>, oil on canvas, 1936 Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Purchase Fund
- SHAHN, Ben (American) Handball, tempera on compoboard, 1939 Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Purchase Fund

The sculpture exhibition is also divided into a series of galleries each with a special theme. One gallery is devoted to Maillol and Despiau, another contains one large figure each by the American, Lachaise, and the German, Lehmbruck. In the third gallery there are numerous pieces of sculpture in the original material, i.e., not east: wood, chiseled lead, stone, marble, clay, celluloid, ceramic. Another gallery shows examples of many new forms chiefly abstract, in sculpture. In the fifth gallery a variety of sculptured heads is on exhibition ranging from the vivid realism of Nakian's portrait of Pop Hart to the head, done in a half abstract "baseball mask" technique, by the recently discovered American sculptor, Louis Dlugosz. New acquisitions in the sculpture collection illustrating some of the techniques and materials of modern sculpture, are:

> ARP, Hans (French) Leaves and Navels I, painted wood relief, 1930 Purchase Fund

DESPIAU, Charles (French) <u>Portrait of Anne Lindbergh</u>, bronze, 15[±]" high, 1939 Gift of Colonel and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh

DLUGOSZ, Louis (American) Henry, terra cotta, 125" high, 1938 Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Purchase Fund

GABO, Naum (Russian; lives in England) Head of a Woman, construction in celluloid 24 x 194" Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Purchase Fund 169

LIPCHITZ, Jacques (French) <u>Seated Man</u>, bronze, 22" high, 1925 Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Purchase Fund

Song of the Vowels, terra cotta, 142" high Gift of the sculptor

MOORE, Henry (English) <u>Reclining Figure</u>, lead, 13" long, 1938 Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Purchase Fund

NICHOLSON, Ben (English) <u>Relief</u>, painted wood, 28½ x 31½", 1935 Gift of H. S. Ede and the artist

PICASSO, Pablo (Spanish) <u>Woman's Head</u>, bronze, 16[‡]" high, 1909? Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Purchase Fund

VANTONGERLOO, Georges (Belgian) <u>Construction within a Sphere</u>, silvered plaster 7" high, 1917. Purchase Fund

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