

The Museum of Modern Art

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THE MUSEUM OF MODERN ART PRESENTS SPECIAL PROGRAMS FOR *MUTANT MATERIALS IN CONTEMPORARY DESIGN*

In conjunction with the exhibition **MUTANT MATERIALS IN CONTEMPORARY DESIGN** (May 25 to August 27, 1995), The Museum of Modern Art is presenting an array of special programs for adults, families, and visitors with special needs. The schedule is as follows:

Talks with Designers

Thursday, June 15, and Friday, June 16, 6:30 p.m.

Designers Harry Allen and James Carpenter, whose work is included in the exhibition, discuss the use of new materials in their work. The talks begin in the Education Center and move into the exhibition galleries.

Tickets: \$5.00; students with valid ID free; available beginning 5:30 on the evening of each talk. The Edward John Noble Education Center. 212/708-9795.

Panel Discussion

Tuesday, June 20, 6:30 p.m.

Moderated by Paola Antonelli, Associate Curator, Department of Architecture and Design, and organizer of the exhibition, the panel discusses the use of innovative materials and manufacturing techniques in contemporary design. Panelists include Harry Allen, designer; Samuel Frank, former Director of Architecture and Design, Corning Incorporated; Bill Moggridge, designer and founder of IDEO; and Chee Pearlman, Editor, *I.D. Magazine*.

Tickets: \$8.00; members \$7.00; students and seniors \$5.00. The Roy and Niuta Titus Theater 2. 212/708-9795.

Touch Tours for Blind and Visually Impaired Visitors

May 25 - August 27 [by appointment only]

A hands-on tour explores the tactile characteristics of some sixty objects. The tour begins in the Education Center and continues in the galleries.

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Touch tours are free. Reservations should be made at least one week in advance. 212/708-9864.

Mutant Materials Museum Treasure Hunt

Tuesdays and Thursdays, July 4 - 27, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Using raw materials to search for finished objects, families with children ages five to ten are invited to participate in a Treasure Hunt that helps them look at and talk about the exhibition. Treasure Hunt kits are for use in the Museum and are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Free with Museum admission. No preregistration. The Edward John Noble Education Center. 212/708-9795.

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The public may obtain more information about special programs by calling The Museum of Modern Art's Education Department at 212/708-9795.

For further press information or press tickets, contact Mary Lou Strahlendorff, Department of Public Information, 212/708-9750.