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CHILDREN'S ART SHOW TO GO TO RUSSIA

Wednesday, January 16, the Museum of Modern Art will open in the Young People's Gallery Creative Art by American Children, an exhibition prepared by the Educational Program of the Museum. At the close of the exhibition on March 3 the Museum, in cooperation with the National Council of ~~American-Soviet~~ Friendship, will send it to Soviet Russia as a return courtesy for a similar exhibition of work by Russian children which was shown at the Museum in the Fall of 1944.

The object of this exhibition is to show how American children reflect their environment in their creative work. It not only shows the kind of work that American children do, but it also suggests the variety of work done by schools over the country.

The material in the exhibition was selected from 1,585 entries by a jury made up of representatives of the Art Committee of the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship and the Educational Program of the Museum of Modern Art. The jury included Mervin Jules, Max Weber, Raphael Soyer and Victor D'Amico.

Because of the limited size of the show, the exhibition in no way attempts to be comprehensive in its representation of American art education. Also, some areas responded more generously than others in contributing work. For this reason some sections are more sparsely represented than others.

The exhibition is composed of 51 large panels 40" x 60" showing examples of children's painting, drawing, and some photographs of sculpture, models, and other three-dimensional work. In order to give the Russian children a better idea of American children and their environment, photographs of some of the children who did the art work appear with photographs of the localities and themes represented. The exhibition is arranged under the following headings:

- The Northeastern States
- The South
- The Midwest
- The Rocky Mountain States
- The Southwest
- The Pacific Coast
- American Sports
- Animals
- The Arts
- Boats

