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## MUSEUM OF MODERN ART ANNOUNCES PRIZE WINNERS IN FABRIC COMPETITION

A student at Cranbrook Academy, Detroit, has won the first prize of \$500 in the fabric design competition held by the Museum of Modern Art from February 11 to June 9 and sponsored by leading department stores throughout the country. Mrs. Yvonne Delattre, who has studied both here and abroad, is the first-prize winner in a field of 1,149 entrants, of which 317 were men and 832 were women. Individual items submitted numbered 2,443 and they came from 44 states of the Union and the District of Columbia. The only states from which entries were not received were Alabama, Nevada, South Dakota and Vermont. The greatest number of entries, 374, came from New York; California was second, with 175.

The second prize of \$350 was won by Milton Weiner of 314 South Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, who also took one of the two third prizes of \$250 each, which netted him in prize money \$100 more than the winner of the first prize. The other third-prize winner was Fredric Karoly of 111 East 48 Street, New York City. June Groff, 1825 Wylie Street, Philadelphia, won the fourth prize of \$150 plus an Honorable Mention of \$50.

The total amount given in prizes was \$2,250 (\$250 more than at first announced), which included fourteen Honorable Mentions at \$50 each, won by the following, in addition to Miss Groff:

Mrs. Reba C. Weiner 314 S. Broad Street Philadelphia 2, Pa.

Lilly Elkan 48-02 43rd Street Woodside, N. Y.

Virginia Nepodal 102 Summit Avenue Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

Marianne Strengell Cranbrook Art Academy Bloomfield Hills, Mich.

Thurman Rotan Hastings House Hastings-on-Hudson, N. Y.

George Farkas 954 41 Street Miami Beach 40, Fla.

Marshall Barer 231 East 52 Street New York 22, N. Y. Mrs. Hollis J. Beasley 7325 S. W. Brier Place Portland 1, Oregon

Dawn Guichard 626 East 22 Street Oakland 6, Calif.

Clark Voorhees R. F. D. Old Lyme, Conn.

Alexander H. Girard 16906 Kercheval Avenue Grosse Pointe 30, Mich.

Ray Eames 11013<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Strathmore W. Los Angeles 24, Calif.

Juliet Kepes 3 Walker Terrace Cambridge 38, Mass.

Charles Eames, Alexander Girard and Eero Saarinen West Long Lake Road Bloomfield Hills, Mich. Several of the prize-winning designs will be reproduced and offered for sale. An exhibition of all the designs winning awards and of the fabrics produced from the top winners will be held at the Museum of Modern Art in February 1947. The exhibition will later be circulated throughout the country, and possibly abroad.

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Simultaneously with the exhibition at the Museum, the sponsoring stores will show and sell the fabrics. Many of the stores have elaborate plans for room display and some are making tie-ups with local museums, as in the case of McCurdy's of Rochester.

The competition was conducted by the Museum's Department of Industrial Design. The members of the jury were

Marcel Breuer, architect and designer Zelina C. Brunschwig, Director of Design, Brunschwig & Fils René d'Harnoncourt, Director of the Department of Manual Industry, Museum of Modern Art

Edgar Kaufmann, Jr., ex-officio from the Department of Industrial Design, Museum of Modern Art

Aline B. Louchheim, Managing Editor, ART NEWS James Johnson Sweeney, Director of the Department of Painting and Sculpture, Museum of Modern Art

The competition and the exhibition have been made possible through the sponsorship of Brunschwig & Fils of New York, which will produce the winning fabrics, and the following retail stores which will distribute them:

> CALIFORNIA, Los Angeles. Bullock's San Francisco. S. & G. Gump CONNECTICUT, Hartford. G. Fox & Co. GEORGIA, Atlanta. Rich's ILLINOIS, Chicago. Marshall Field & Co. INDIANA, Indianapolis. L. S. Ayers MASSACHUSETTS, Boston. Paine Furniture Co. MICHIGAN, Detroit. The J. L. Hudson Company MISSOURI, Kansas City. Robert Keith, Inc. St. Louis. Lammert Furniture Co. NEW JERSEY, Newark. Kresge-Newark NEW YORK, New York. B. Altman & Co. Brunschwig & Fils Rochester. McCurdy's OHIO, Cincinnati. The John Shillito Co. Cleveland. William Taylor & Son Cleveland. William Taylor & Son PENNSYLVANIA, Philadelphia. John Wanamaker Pittsburgh. Kaufmann's

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