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Mr. John Hay Whitney, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Museum of Modern Art, today announced the election of Mrs. John D. Rockefeller 3rd to the Museum's Board.

Mrs. Rockefeller has been Chairman of the Museum's Junior Council since its founding in February 1949. This organization, under her leadership, had been responsible for many Museum activities including the successful Art Rental Service for Museum Members.

Mrs. Rockefeller was one of the collectors selected by the Museum to exhibit works from her collection in the "New York Private Collections" exhibition, held in 1951, to which she contributed important modern European sculpture and American abstract paintings. She has taken a special interest in the Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Print Room, founded by her late mother-in-law.

On a recent trip to Japan with her husband, Mrs. Rockefeller acquired a collection of modern post-war Japanese works of art. Several contemporary Japanese artists were thus introduced to this country for the first time, and a selection of these works is currently on view in a New York gallery.

During the war, Mrs. Rockefeller served as a Nurses' Aide with the Red Cross. She was recently made Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Community Service Society, the first woman to be elected in this organization's 104-year history. She is a graduate and trustee of Vassar College, and a trustee of the Brearley School, where 2 of her 4 children are students.

In announcing the election of Mrs. Rockefeller to the Museum's Board of Trustees, Mr. Whitney said,

"It is a particular pleasure to the Board to welcome Mrs. Rockefeller as one of its members. Her very real interest and her unusual knowledge of art, added to her tireless efforts on behalf of the Museum and of the modern artist, make her a most welcome addition. We are grateful to her, in the midst of her many activities, for assuming this additional responsibility."