The Museum of Modern Art

To Editors, Critics

From Elizabeth Shaw

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Conference

ARCHITECTURAL EDUCATION/USA: ISSUES, IDEAS AND PEOPLE

A conference to explore current alternatives will be held at The Museum of Modern Art Friday, November 12 and Saturday, November 13.

The conference is co-sponsored by The Architectural League of New York and the Department of Architecture and Design of the Museum under an initiating grant from the Graham Foundation for Advanced Studies in the Fine Arts, and organized by the Institute for Architecture and Urban Studies.

Panelists are: Emilio Ambasz, Stanford Anderson, George Baird, Jonathan Barnett, Peter Eisenman, Kenneth Frampton, Herbert Gans, Robert Gutman, Lionel March, Martin Pawley, Horst Rittel, Colin Rowe, Joseph Rykwert, Denise Scott Brown, O. Matthias Ungers and Anthony Vidler.

The conference coincides with the opening of an exhibition at the Museum titled "Education of an Architect: A Point of View" by the Cooper Union School of Art and Architecture. The exhibition, which will be on view through January 10, was prepared by the Cooper Union School of Art and Architecture. It is also co-sponsored by the Architectural League of New York and the Museum's Department of Architecture and Design. Like the conference it too was made possible by an initiating grant from the Graham Foundation for Advanced Studies in the Fine Arts.

Conference sessions will be held in the Museum auditorium. Most of the audience will be invited but a few tickets are available for the general public. Please let me know if you would like to receive press tickets.

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