

# The Museum of Modern Art

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**The Museum of Modern Art Hosts a Conversation on the Subject of Trophy Art  
With Glenn D. Lowry, Director of The Museum of Modern Art, and  
Dr. Mikhail Piotrovsky, Director of the Hermitage Museum**

**November 19, 1997  
10:00 a.m.**

## **Press and Museum Professionals Are Welcome**

**WHAT:** The highly charged and complex issue of trophy art will be discussed by Glenn D. Lowry, Director of MoMA and Dr. Mikhail Piotrovsky, Director of the Hermitage Museum, St. Petersburg, Russia. This event, which is open exclusively to press and museum professionals, is presented in conjunction with the American Friends of the State Hermitage Museum.

Dr. Piotrovsky was the first director of a Russian museum to announce that his museum possessed trophy art, which was brought from Germany to the former Soviet Union at the end of World War II. The Hermitage was the first Russian museum to exhibit trophy art in two recent exhibitions: *Hidden treasures: 74 Impressionist Paintings* (1995), and *Master Drawings Rediscovered: 89 by Cezanne, Delacroix, Goya, Toulouse-Lautrec, Van Gogh and Others* (1996-1997). All of these works remain on display at the Hermitage.

**WHEN:** November 19, 1997, 10:00 a.m.

**WHERE:** The Museum of Modern Art, 11 West 53 Street, New York

**R.S.V.P.:** You are cordially invited to attend this event. Please call Kena Frank, Communications, 212-708-9431 to R.S.V.P. This event is open to accredited members of the press and museum professionals only. Film crews are welcome. Please call to pre-register all crews.

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