Among the illustrations in MODERN GARDENS AND THE LANDSCAPE by Elizabeth B. Kassler, just published by The Museum of Modern Art in New York, are three photographs of Philadelphia, showing a plan of the parks and pedestrian greenways under construction in the east-central area, the Delancey Street sitting area designed by Wilhelm V. von Moltke of the Philadelphia City Planning Commission, and the Third Block of Independence Mall by Dan Kiley.

MODERN GARDENS AND THE LANDSCAPE is the first book to discuss the relationship between the modern garden and the natural landscape in terms of contemporary aesthetics. While exploring these interrelationships between man, land and plants, between artifacts and natural facts, Mrs. Kassler presents a view of modern water gardens, flower gardens, sculpture gardens, outdoor rooms, plazas, parks, playgrounds and urban squares illustrated in 155 annotated photographs, six of them in color.

The 104-page book is available from The Museum of Modern Art for $5.95 hardbound and $2.75 paperbound and is distributed nationally by Doubleday and Company, Inc.

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