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Among the honored guests at the black-tie preview of the MAX BECKMANN exhibition at The Museum of Modern Art on Monday night (December 14, 8 - 11:30 p.m.) will be Mrs. Guappi Beckmann, the artist's widow whose portrait appears many times in the show; Dr. Hanns Erich Haack, Cultural Counselor of the German Embassy in Washington; Dr. Haide Russel, German Counselor for Cultural Affairs in New York City; Mrs. Klaus Curtius, German Consul-General in New York City, and Mrs. Curtius; and Mr. Sigismund von Braun, Permanent Observer to the United Nations for the German Federal Republic, and Mrs. von Braun.

Other guests include New York collector Joseph Louchheim; Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Freehling, Chicago collectors; Mr. James Speyer of the Art Institute of Chicago; Mr. Morton D. May of St. Louis, who has one of the finest private Beckmann collections in the world; Dr. Hanns Swarzenski of Boston; and Perry T. Rathbone, Director of the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, who was instrumental in bringing the artist to this country.

The exhibition, which is being sponsored by the Government of the German Federal Republic, will be previewed by the Museum's members on Tuesday and will open to the public on December 16. It will remain on view in New York until January 31 and will then go to the Art Institute of Chicago (March 12 - April 11). The show is scheduled to travel to Hamburg, Frankfurt and London during the spring and summer.

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