

The Museum of Modern Art

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ACHILLE CASTIGLIONI TO GIVE LECTURE AT THE MUSEUM OF MODERN ART

Thursday, October 16, 1997, 7:30 p.m.

In conjunction with the opening of the exhibition *Achille Castiglioni: Design!*, on view at The Museum of Modern Art from October 16, 1997 to January 6, 1998, the renowned Italian designer will give a lecture and present some of his objects. The event will take place at the Museum at 7:30 p.m., on October 16, the day of the exhibition opening. Paola Antonelli, Associate Curator, Department of Architecture and Design, who organized the exhibition, will participate.

The lecture will be held in the Roy and Niuta Titus Theater 1. Tickets are available at the Lobby Information Desk: \$8.00, members, students and seniors \$5.00. For further information, the public should call the Department of Education at 212/708-9781.

In addition, an expanded section devoted to Castiglioni on the Museum's Web site (<http://www.moma.org>) will offer reference materials on the designer, including a bibliography.

Some 95 illuminating illustrations that accompany the exhibition labels are by Steven Guarnaccia. In vignette form, the sketches convey the inspiration for the objects, how they are used, or how they have evolved.

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