

THE NEW MUSEUM

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NEW WORK/NEW YORK, AN EXHIBITION OF WORK BY FIVE CONTEMPORARY ARTISTS OPENS DECEMBER 8, 1979.

NEW WORK/NEW YORK, an exhibition of painting and sculpture by artists living and working in New York City will open at The New Museum on Saturday, December 8, 1979, continuing through February 7, 1980. The five artists selected for the exhibition maintain distinctly individual approaches to making art; their works reflect the current diversity and vitality of this city's art community.

Nancy Arlen casts brightly colored tubular plastic sculptures of simple abstract forms clamped to the wall. She chooses hues and materials that amalgamate easily approachable, but enigmatic forms. Louisa Chase's large, vivid paintings on canvas are crowded and active with fragmented representational images. Rudy Heintze constructs painted wood reliefs in which he consolidates geometric and vaguely associative forms to articulate unusual spaces, heightened in dramatic effect by somber, yet striking, color combinations. F.L. Schroder's highly textured painted aluminum pieces have strong, yet subtle hues and emphasize horizontal expanses and diagonal shifts. David Wells' simple mechanized constructions of representational images in subdued tones utilize materials, objects, and pictorial themes often discovered in his neighborhood.

The artists were chosen by The New Museum's curatorial staff, Susan Logan, Allan Schwartzman and Kathleen Thomas, with the collaboration of Marcia Tucker, Director. The illustrated catalog includes an extensive essay by Logan and Schwartzman and statements by the artists.

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We hope you will attend our press preview, Friday, December 7 from 2 to 4 p.m. at The New Museum, 65 Fifth Avenue (between 13th and 14th Streets). For further information, please contact Maureen Stewart (212) 741-8962.