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MASTER INSTITUTE OF UNITED ARTS, INC.,

from

July 1st, 1934 to June 30th, 1935.

### MASTER INSTITUTE OF UNITED ARTS REPORT 1934-1935

Despite the continued depression throughout the entire country, we are pleased to advise that our Institution, the Master Institute of United Acts, has concluded a successful and active season. Although our Scholarship Rund was practically exhausted, yet the Master Institute was enabled to award a total of 150 scholarships, in music pointing, drawing, design, illustration, scalpture, drawa, dance, music appreciation, composition, counterpoint, plane pedagogy, lecture courses, and erchantral training.

and drawatic performances, dance recitals, orchestral presentations, and concerts throughout the past year were highly commented upon.

Concerts and recitals by our students, given in clubs, high schools, churches, and community centers continued this year, due to the requests of these institutions. The Annual Student Exhibition, which was given for one month, beginning May 25th, at the International Art Conter of Rockien Museum, received the most favorable comment in the leading New York Papers. The attached review from the "New York Porid Telegram" of June 20th, is representative of the publicity received.

Pins constructive work dontinued in the Department for the Blind in Sculpture, Piano and Piano Pedagogy. The results ashieved by the several blind students in sculpture were most unusual, and during the Student Exhibition, the work of Catherine Cohen especially, which consisted of 5 figures, was highly commented upon by the public and the press.

Thus far the Master Institute of hited Arts has fulfilled its 14th year of existence in the most constructive way, and looks with great faith into the future, keeping high the ideals of its Foundar, Professor Micholas Roerich, who said:

"Not discussion, but action should strengthen the attitude so necessary for culture. If we reach the expression of the unity of arts, we thereby affirm the need of the closest correlation of all branches of art in its various materials."

"Flory Stronghold" by Micholas Rosrich. NEW YORK WORLD-TELEGRAM, THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 1935.

# Students Show Fine Art Work

Best of Current Exhibits at Roerich Museum,

#### By EMILY GENAUER.

WHO will tomorrow be the butt of the supercilious enlightened, one wonders, when four out of five of the potential-Philistine class appear to be hell-bent on acquiring culture and a meduim for artistic self-expression?

The city at the moment is fairly bristling with art school exhibitions of work by students. The butcher, the baker and the candlestick-maker—and their children—are all studying art, and most wonderful of all are turning out really splendid things springing from almost reverent aspiration and, not infrequently, rare ability.

Best of all the student shows we

Best of all the student shows we have seen thus far is the one at the Master Institute of Roerich Museum. There were things produced during the past season in Louis Slobodkin's sculpture class which would be a credit to mature, professional artists of ability and standing. For the most part they are the work of neophytes who have never before worked in sculpture, or who have been at it for a year or two at the most.

### Show Bright Talents.

Five names stand out with particular brightness! Spero Anargeros, whose figures have strength and humor combined with grace and poise; Hans Hohmann, rather more vigorous; Dominic Facci, who gives his work an inner dignity and classic serenity; Jean Costikyan, a beginner whose sculpture of a young girl's head is a sensitive delicate.

and Catherine Cohen, a blind girl whose figures have a tenderness and inner life which are breath-taking.

In the class in dynamic symmetry the decorative Persian designs of Winnie Robbins; drawings by Julian Davies and Erika Kirstin's studies of light at twelve stages of the day are particularly worthy of note. Work by children in the clay modelling classes of Adele Spitzer and Janet Spaeth and in the painting classes conducted by Paul Gandel is also highly commendable.

A review appeared in the June, 1935, issue of "La Revue Moderne", Paris; on Hans Holmann, scholarship student in sculpture under Louis Slobodkin, whose works were exhibited in the Waster Institute Student Exhibition. A translation of the review follows:

"It is when looking at the "Polar Rear" by Hans Hohmann that one realizes the difference which separates talent from gentus

Hans Hohmann is talent: a strong profession, without weakness, ponderate, well balanced, logical, an almost perfect profession.

Gentus is another thing. In the matter of animal statuary it is Pompon, and perhaps Hermandez or Allows, at the Luxembourgh: the 'Polar Bear' of Pompon there defies the centuries and the comparisons. It is the prototype of the specie and at the same time a marvelous example. I was going to say a miraculous masterpiece. The complete race is there, the amphibian, half land, half aquatic, a ferocious and heavy beast and, in spite of thet, quick and supple, thanks to his muscles which one does not see but divines due to the chipping of a prodigious chisel which is unforgattable.

In spite of that, Hans Holmann should not be deceived. His work is also beautiful and outstanding. But his work is objective, whereas Pompon's is subjective. One has seen the bear, a bear, when the other has seen the race and has translated it with all the sovereign power of genius, what man imagines the bear is. There lies the difference.

Hans Holmann remains far from being negligable. His studies, in Germany with Karl Huber, have given him a profession rich in potentiality. His 'Polar Bear' was done in 1936 and is a marvelous piece. Taken in itself it is an honor to the artist who has conceived and realized other subjects

of which nome is insignificant.
Although Hans Hohmann is a sculpter, he is also a painter of modern inspiration, there again faithful to the objectivity of his art.
The material difficulties which have hampered his carriere will not last forever. Hons Holmann will, no doubt, sometime give valuable realization of his talent. He will put there this force and this surety of style which already characterizes his previous work.

Let us hope that he will add there a sense of poetry in lines, yet

concealed in his compositions which would give them a definite personality."

During the season of 1934-1935, the Master Institute of United Arts has been enabled, through the hearty cooperation of its faculty, to continue its award of scholarships to worthy and deserving students. Despite the drastic economic conditions which were encountered by the cultural Institutions and with which we had to cope, 159 scholarships were awarded this past season.

Scholarship in the Department for the Blind, by Mrs. Lionel Sutro
Nicholas Roerich Scholarship in Piano, Sina Lichtmann, Member of Faculty
Louis L. Horch Scholarship in Music, given by Maurice Lichtmann, Member of
Faculty
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Scholarships in Painting, given by Paul Candal, Member of Faculty
Scholarships in Dance, given by Mikhail Mordkin, Member of Faculty
Scholarships in Dance, given by Ethel Prince Thompson, Member of Faculty
Scholarships in Dance, given by Elizabeth Waters, Member of Faculty
Scholarships in Dance, given by Addi Prohaska, Member of Faculty
Scholarship in Plano, given by Robert Porterfield, Member of Faculty
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Scholarships in Drama, given by David Barnett, Member of Faculty
Scholarships in Orchestral Training, given by Isidore Strassner, Member of
Faculty

Scholarship in Horn, given by Palley Fondick, Member of Faculty Scholarship in Sculpture, given by Louis Slobodkin, Member of Faculty

Scholarship in Sculpture, given by Ruth Nickerson, Member of Faculty Scholarships in Art Appreciation, by Nicholas Haz. Member Faculty. Scholarship in Clay Modeling, given by Adole Spitzer, Nember of Faculty Scholarship in Music Appreciation, by Christos Vrionides, Member of Faculty Scholarship in Clay Modeling, given by Janet Spacth, Member of Faculty

Many scholarships were also given by the Master Institute of United Arts in various departments.

On September 21, scholarship trials were held and awards were made in painting, drawing, fresco mural, design, and also in piano. On Sept.

### SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

22, 1934, a scholarship trial was held in ballet and drama, to which high school students in New York City were eligible.

Additional scholarships were given in the names of Nicholas Rosrich, George Washington, Abraham Lincoln. All these scholarships were awarded in piano, piano pedagogy, orchestral training, painting, drama, dance, and sculpture.

### SCHOLARSHIPS

## Department of Piano

Elizabeth London
Mrs. J. Irvin
Laura Bierstein
Beatrice Kraft
Evelyn Kraft
Janet Simon
Henrietta Gordon
Catherine Kramer Broome

Eleanor Weisman
Addi Prohaska
Alliene Newman
Jean Kraus
Miriam Hoffman
Melba Sopis
Elsa Cabrera

Erika Kirston Edith Montlack Harold Trauman Estelle Eisner Sidney Coolman Julie Goldman Jean Guttman

# Department of Violin

Arthur Young Irving Frigind

### Department of Dance

Viola Essen
Justina Popov
Lucille Bressner
Sonia Applebaum
Irene Yaroscewicz
Nina Budzinsky
Doris Ruth Hetaling

Constance Spector
Joyce Mileh
Edith Schwarez
Rae Yalavoy
Nadia Dunkel
Janna Perlova
Tris Mae Jupraner

Elaine Caruso Jenio Schulman Annella Sikes Betty Berman Irene Yaroslavsky Anita Adams Taleta Komrad

# Department of Painting

Jama Perlov Leon Ibanez Guido Borghi David Berger Sarah Schluger Winnie Robbins Fairfield Hoban Shelby Bordner Inez Bordner Peggy Mann Richard Megargee Wanda Hurst Wesley Lea Janina Kaljut Tony Megargee Harry Megargee Miriam Rappaport Jean Kraus

# Department of Sculpture for the Blind

Catherine Cohen

Elizabeth Birkett

Janice Douglas

### Department of Drama

Evelyn Kraft Beatrice Kraft Nora Janov Melba Sopis Gretchen Seidel Helen Kuchuk Diana Hoffman Lucille Bressner

# Sculpture

Rosalind Haut Hans Holmann Rebecca Rubin

Clay Modeling

Ralph Lieberman Bertha Greene Richard Zimmerman William Goldstein

Horn

William Carson

Short Story Writing

Donn Kimmell

### Orchestra

Albert Ann Wilton Bass Eugene Bobko Norman Brown Waldemar Bhosys Robert Cassell Marion Cumbo Vincent De Trenk Evelyn Einstein Idllian Fishman Gertrude Fox John Pucci George Garber Shirley Gelfer Gerald Gottlieb Milton Gottlieb Diana Gold I. W. Goldstein Rose Schmur Meyer Siegel Minnie Trenk Laurence Weidman

Spero Anargeros Jean Guttman

Wilmot Burton Henry Mendoza Zven Espenbaum Bertram Legter Dominico Facci C. E. Coryn

Louis Pinkussohn Erica Heinz Pairfield Hoban

Isidore Grabiner Samuel Gravell Albert Gresser M. Gross Nona Hermelin Carolyn Himmell Michael Ilardi Barbara Imberman Nathan Kappel Lester Karpe Mr. Katz Eugene Katzberg Rose Kay Charles Kemper A. Katzman John Kozik Wilbur Mahon Barbara Mahon Marion Schmur Jos. Spielzinger Sydney Tessler Arthur W. Young

Sol Maltz Cardiner Miller, Jr. Arthur Morrow Jos. Panrini I. M. Paper Abraham Pearlstein Lawrence Peyser Philip Fishberg James Pirie Charles Pokorny Leo Prager Norton Price Daniel Prince David Rosen Harold Rosenzweig Howard Rowland Raymond Sabinsky Ruth Saclow Joseph Schultz Elsie Schwartz Edna Triester Beanual Zivin

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### NEW PACULTY MEMBERS

Miss Elizabeth Waters - Joined the Faculty in Rhythmics and Modern forms of the Dance, conducting classes for juniors and adults.

William Mitchell - Joined the faculty in Harmony, Counterpoint, and Composition.

Millian B. Gilkes - Joined the faculty in Short Story Writing, giving a special course of 12 sessions.

Ruth B. Nickerson - Joined the faculty in Sculpture, conducting an evening course for professional men and women throughout the season.

Hans von Schroetter - Joined the Faculty in Stage and Costume Design.

Nicholas Haz - Joined the faculty of lecturers, giving a course of six lectures on Art Appreciation.

#### CHANGES IN FACULTY

Master Institute of United Arts announces with regret the following resignations: Theodore Bolton, Department of Dynamic Symmetry; Talbot Rogers, Department of Dynamic Symmetry; J. Earle Schrack, Department of Painting: Mr. William Mitchell, Department of Harmony.

# STUDENT EXHIBITION? CONCERTS, AND OTHER ACTIVITIES OF THE MASTER INSTITUTE Master Institute of United Arts exhibited the works of its summer students from October 5th to October 12th, 1934. The students who exhibited were those of Mr. Margolis, the teacher of painting, design, and murals. Mr. Paul Gandal, member of faculty in painting, arranged an exhibition of Master Institute students' works for the Council of Adult Education in the Dewitt Clinton High School, which was held from December 3rd to December 24th, 1934. The Mordkin ballet performance - "Terpsicherean Dreams", presented

by the Master Institute of United Arts on December 12th, was a very successful event. A very large audience filled the Theatre of the Museum and heartily welcomed the participating students of the ballet

Miss Probaska, graduate student of the Master Institute, played a group of plane soli as an assistant artist with excellent musicianship.

The joint recital of Miss Waters and Miss Prohaska, which was given on December 17th, 1934, was one of the most artistic events given during the season by the Master Institute. The program consisted of plano compositions by Bartok, Busoni, Alexandros, Albeniz, Strauss-Schuett, played with fine musicianship and taste by Miss Prohaska.

Miss Waters danced the following numbers: Nautch Dance; Dance Design, by Mempou; March, by Prohofieff; Death of an Infant, by Scriabin; Monotony, by Campbell; Prelude by Chopin.

Mr. Satyan Ghose, a well known Hindu musician, assisted Miss Saters, and showed excellent sufficient.

and showed excellent artistry. A very large audience warmly received the ortists.

On Jamary 5th, 1935, the draws department of Master Institute of United Arts, under the supervision of Robert Porterfield and Grace Mills, gave a play - "Six Who Pass While the Lentils Boil", preceded by geveral monologues. The performance was a very successful one, the audience consisting of about 150 people, who warmly received the young players.

The Christmass Ballet performance, under the direction of Mikhail Mordkin, was given on December 27th by the students of the ballet department - "Dream in Fairyland", as a matinee at Rosrich Hall, and proved to be a notable success.

Master Institute Orchestra gave its first program of the season under the direction of Mr. Isidore Strassner, its conductor, on January 30, 1935. A large audience attended the recital and heartily applauded the guest soloists, as well as the orchestral numbers. Mr. Strassner trains the orchestra Sunday mornings at the Master Institute.

The midyear sculpture exhibition of Senior and Junior students of Master Institute opened on February 16th in Studio 14. The exhibition comprised 50 pieces of sculpture and pottery and showed serious striving on the part of the students.

The Master Institute Senior Students' Piano Recital was given on the evening of February 20th in Hall 21. The recital was attended by a good sized audience and was quite successful. The following pupils of Mr. Lichtmann, Mr. Barnett, and Mrs. Lichtmann played: Margaret Carleftes,

# STUDENT EXHIBITIONS, CONCERTS, AND OTHER ACTIVITIES OF THE MASTER INSTITUTE

Lillian Blackberg, Catherine Cohen, Harold Hirsch, Wiriam Hoffman, Elizabeth London, Edith MacLennan, Alliene Newman, Janet Simon.
Of all the participants Lillian Blackberg, graduate, class of 1934, Janet Simon, Elizabeth London, Alliene Newsan, and Miriam Roffman, played exceptionally well.

Miss Muriel Thomas, Student of the Master Institute in the class of painting and dynamic symmetry, gave an exhibition of her works in a downtown gallery during December and January. Miss Thomas studied two years under Mr. Giles and continued her work at the Master Enstitute under Mr. Bolton. The reviews of her exhibition follow here: new York Evening Post: "Muriel Thomas is showing water color landscapes of Europe, New England and Nexico at the Etcetera Gellery: The artist reaches up into the high registers of the chromatic scale, but uses her vivid colors effectively. The Italian landscapes are particularly engaging, or it that nostalgia? The warmth and galety of the Mexican scenes are also delightful. There are clarity and purity of color as well as vividness in these water colors - that have both sophistication and spontaneity - a pleasing combination." NEW YORK HERALD TRIBUNE: "Water colors of the Dolomites are being shown at the Etcetera Gallery. Simplicity and clarity of color are characteristics of her style which are especially effective in her studies of Portofino.

Barchtesgarden and other of the same series. With her foreign water-colors

are also impressions of rural New England and of New Nexico. NEW YORK TIMES: "Water colors and drawings by Muriel Thomas are a current attraction at the Etcetera Gellery. Pines outlined against great mountain facades, angled planes of light and shadow thrown by walks and on roofs, designs that abstractly suggest clouds and shore shapes; these as well as more conventional landscapes the artist has treated simply and with dignity. Her compositions range from low to brilliant - pencil portraits of detailed

The Junior Student Recital took place on April 5th at 8:30 P.M. in Inli The Junior Students of the departments of plane, drama, and ballet participated. A large audience expressed repeatedly its enthusiasm at the performance of the children. Especially fine were Marion Weisman, Jean Kraus, Estelle Eisner, and Laura Bierstein, in their plane numbers: Elaine Greenbaum, Beatrice Kraft, and Melba Sopis in their dramatic presentation. All dance numbers by Janna Perlova, Sonia Larina, and Viola Essen were performed excellently. The participants were students of Maurice Lichtmann, Ethel Prince Thompson, Sina Lichtmann, Addi Probaska, Robert Porterfield, and Mikhail Nordkin.

finish are a further testimony to the young artist's ambition".

The Senior Student Recital in Piano and Violin, given at the Master Institute on April 29th, 1935, showed the fine musicianship and excellent technical equipment of the following students: Catherine Cohen, Marold Mirsch, Elizabeth London, Edith Montlack, Erika Kirsten, Janet Simon, Addi Prohaska, Charles Slavin, Arthur Young, Alliene Newman, Herold Trauman. The students were pupils of Maurice Lichtmann, David Harnett, Katherine Hamilton, and Sina Lichtmann.

Sidney Coolman, graduate student of the Master Institute, class of 1934, and pupil of Mr. M. Lichtmann, gave a recital under the auspices of Master

# AND OTHER ACTIVITIES OF THE MASTER INSTITUTE Institute of United Arts at Roerich Hall on Jamary 16th, 1935. A large audience heartly applauded the gifted artist in his wall chosen program. Miss Risa Cabrera, pupil of Mr. Lichtmann, graduate of class 1934, gave a recital under the auspices of the Master Institute on March 25th, 1935. An unusually large audience attended Wiss Cabrera's recital and received her program most enthusiastically. The Annual Student Exhibition opened Saturday, May 25th, 1935, at 4 oclock at the International Art Center of Roerich Museum. The representative work of this year was shown by the sculpture class under the direction of Louis Slobodkin. The classes of Mr. Margolis, for children and adults, showed fine work for the year; the dynamic symmetry class, under the direction of Mr. Bolton had an impressive exhibit.

The childrens classes of Wiss Kettunen and Mr. Gandal have greatly improved in subject matter and draughtsmanship. The tapastry class, conducted by Cilbert Foldes, exhibited interesting practice pieces, executed during the year. The exhibition continued to June 25th, and was open daily from 1 to 5 octook.

The last Drama and Ballet Regibal of the students of the Master Institute took place on May 23th in Roerich Hall. A play - "Our Aunt from California" was presented by the students of the drawn department, and eight numbers were presented by the ballet students. A large audience filled the theatre and welcomed the students.

The Commoncement Exercises of the Master Institute took place on May 31st, with seven certificates being awarded to the following students: Mildred Di Biase, Leon Ibanes, Muriel Thomas Armine Yessayine, in the department of painting and dynamic symmetry; Catherine Cohen in the department of plane and sculpture; Elizabeth London and Janet Simon in the department

Addresses were made by Mr. Forest Grant. Director of Art in the New York High Schools, and by Sina Lichtmann. Director of the Master Institute. A very large audience filled Hall 21 of Recrick Museum, and enthusiactically applauded the music program given by the graduating students. After the exercises, the audience was invited to visit the Annual Student Exhibition, which was open to the visitors at the Internation Art Center.

The last Student Orchestra Recital was given in Roerich Hall on June 4, and was attended by a large audience.

Programs of all above-mentioned performances, recitals, and events are attached herewith.

### LECTURES AND SPECIAL LECTURE COURSES GIVEN DURING THE YEAR

A series of four lectures "MUSIC FROM PRIMITIVE TO MODERN" was given by Dr. Christos Vrienides, faculty member, at the Master Institute. The series comprised the following subjects:

On October 29: Interrelation of the Music of Primitive Peoples, Assyrian, Egyptian, Hebrew, Greek, Persian, Hindu, Chinese, Ancient Scotch, American Indian.

On November 12th: Byzantine-Gregorian Music and Plain Song; Inheritors of Ancient Greek Music.

On Nov. 26th: Mediaeval Music: Organum, Discant Polyphony, Romantic Music of the French Troubadors, German Minnesingers, and Minstrels of the Northern Countries.

n Dec. 10th: Modern Composers: An Exposition on what is being created by the Composers of today.

The lectures were well attended, and were given publicity in the press of New York.

On October 18, 1934, Nicholas Haz began his series of lectures at the Master Institute on "Creative Picture Making", with approximately 40 people in attendance. The series was given as follows:

Oct. 18: MODERN PAINTING - MINUS MYSTERY - A crystal-clear exposition of methods of abstract and semi-abstract picture making.

Oct. 25: OF ART, ARTISTS, AND ART PATRONS - A simple talk on makers of pictures and their field of distribution. Relativity of goodness and beauty in art. Noral and material success. Taste, creativeness, radicalism in immovation and leadership. Worldly wisdom and commercial astuteness.

ov. 1: WHAT IS WHAT IN PICTURE MAKING - Clear-cut working definition of often used but rarely understood terms, such as: picture, art, artist, composition, design, pattern, harmony, rhythm, naturalistic, realistic, idealized, caricatured, abstract, semi-abstract, color, tone, form, edge, surface, depth, duration, motion, balance, unity, clarity, emphasis, proportion, laws, rules, and so on. The interrelation of these concepts clearly revealed.

Nov. 8: PROPORTION- FOUNDATION OF PICTURE-MAKING - Proportion, the most importance single factor in picture-making shown to be the result of existence, number, size and position of parts of a whole. The main cause of beauty and ugliness, grace and clumsiness, simplicity and elaborateness. Methods of proportion-making. Lengths and areas, numbers and positions in relation to each other. Simplest possible presentation without mathematics.

Nov. 15: CREATIVE PERSPECTIVE: An original, yet simple method of creating

### LECTURES AND SPECIAL LECTURE COURSES GIVEN DURING THE YEAR

an illusion of volume on flat surfaces, not only along a horizontal axis of vision, but looking in any oblique or vertical direction. How to manage the perspective of human and animal forms and other irregular shapes.

Nov. 25: PUZZLE OF PUZZLE - EMPHASIS - Emphasis, this inevitable, yet so often uncontrolled phenomenon, clearly revealed and made easily controllable. Emphasis focussed on a single image or distributed amongst several leading images. Analysis of the work of masters and that of beginners - for omphasis.

This course was also open free to the Resident Members of Roorich Museum.

Miss Hamilton, member of the violin faculty, Master Institute, gave a recital on February 20th, 1935, in Hall 21. A good sized audience was present.

On May 7th, 1935, in the Hall of the East, Mr. David Barnett, member of the plane faculty, Waster Institute, gave a lecture demonstration of his invention of the enhancemic planeforte keyboard. The event was attended by over 50 music teachers and students who were most interested in Mr. Burnett's demonstration.

Announcements which bere full particulars of his course were distributed.

# THE EVENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE BLIND OF MASTER INSTITUTE OF UNITED ARTS

In the August 1st, 1934, issue of "Vogue" a splendid article "Sculpture in the Dark" appeared, telling of our work with the blind students in sculpture. The article is quoted below:

# "SCULPTURE IN THE DARK"

"It has been one of the aims of the Master Institute of the Roerich Museum in New York City to help the blind. Eight years ago the blind were introduced to the possibilities of sculpture - by touch. They were given an apple to model, later a leaf. The greatest difficulty lay in grasping proportions. For some time progress was slow. But it was noticeable, and, two years ago, a serious attempt to teach sculpture to the blind was decided upon. The three sightless adults chosen for the ensuing experiment were, after a few months, able to handle clay with comparative case. They advanced to making copies of plaster heads, and finally, this year to working with a live rabbit as their model. The surprising feeling for line, depth, and even for shadow, as shown in the sculpture on exhibition at the Institute, has been commented upon by prominent sculptors, several of whom have found it difficult to believe that the work is that of blind people."

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#### THE FACULTY

NICHOLAS ROERICH President-Founder

SINA LICHTMANN,
Director

Louis L. Horch
President

HELEN SEIDEL, Assistant Director

MAURICE M. LICHTMANN, Dean, Music Department HOWARD GILES,

Dean Emeritus, Art Department

#### PIANO

DAVID BARNETT
MAX DRITTLER
ESTHER J. LICHTMANN
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FRANCIS MOORE
ETHEL PRINCE THOMPSON
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FRIEDA LAZARIS, ASSISTANT
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MARTA ELIZABETH KLEIN

#### VOICE

ALLI RONKA HUBERT LINSCOTT H. REGINALD SPIER

#### OPERA CLASS

VICTOR ANDOGA

#### VIOLIN

MARIE CASLOVA KARL KRAEUTER HELEN TESCHNER TAS

#### VIOLONCELLO

PERCY SUCH

#### PAINTING AND DRAWING

CHARLES AIKEN
WILLIAM AUERBACH-LEVY
THEODORE BOLTON
BERNARD I. GREEN
JOHN D. GRAHAM
ELLEN KETTUNEN
FANNY NIMTZOWITZ
JOSEPH EARL SCHRACK
PAUL GANDAL, ASSISTANT
B. MARGOLIS. ASSISTANT
TALBOT ROGERS, ASSISTANT

# ETCHING AND DRAWING WILLIAM AUERBACH-LEVY

ART OF ILLUSTRATION
ARTHUR ZAIDENBERG

### THEATRE DECORATION AND COSTUME DESIGN RAYMOND SOVEY

# INTERIOR DECORATION HAROLD V. DAYTON

TAPESTRY WEAVING
GILBERT FOLDES

#### SCULPTURE

LOUIS SLOBODKIN WILLARD PADDOCK BRUNO PICCIRILLI

#### ARCHITECTURE

WILLIAM E. VIRRICK WALLACE H. WOLCOTT

#### BALLET

and appear to the

MIKHAIL MORDKIN

# ORIENTAL DANCE ELIZABETH WATERS

#### HARP

CARLOS SALZEDO

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PHILIP GORDON
HANS BRUNO MEYER
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DR. CHRISTOS VRIONIDES

#### CHAMBER MUSIC

MAURICE M. LICHTMANN PERCY SUCH

#### ORCHESTRAL INSTRUMENTS

PAUL ALLGAYER BASSOON

HUMBERT BULDRINI DOUBLE BASS

CHARLES DE MILT
PERCUSSION INSTRUMENTS

FREDERICK HARTMANN OBOE AND ENGLISH HORN

JOHN ALEXANDER PETRIE FLUTE

RAYMOND F. SCOTT CLARINET

CLARENCE H. SMITH FRENCH HORN

ARTHUR L. WALKER TROMBONE

ARTHUR DANNER TRUMPET

# THEORY, COMPOSITION AND MUSIC APPRECIATION

WILLIAM MITCHELL
\*JOHN EARLE NEWTON

SOLFEGE AND EAR TRAINING ELNA SHERMAN

#### CHURCH MUSIC

NICOLA A. MONTANI MEYER POSNER

#### BYZANTINE MUSIC

DR. CHRISTOS VRIONIDES

#### DRAMA

BARBARA BULGAKOVA LEO BULGAKOV ROBERT PORTERFIELD GRACE MILLS

#### DICTION

FRANCES BRUNDAGE ROBERT OLMSTED

# CONTEMPORARY THEATRE AND PLAYWRITING

KAIA WILLIAMS

#### POETRY, LITERATURE

MARY SIEGRIST

#### **JOURNALISM**

FRANCES R. GRANT

#### ART PHOTOGRAPHY

DR. RICCARDO BETTINI

#### LANGUAGES

MATHILDE TRUCCO LAURE B. KAHN-WEIL

#### JUNIOR ART CENTER

PAINTING, DESIGN

PAUL GANDAL ELLEN KETTUNEN

#### CLAY MODELING

ADELE SPITZER

#### FOLK SONGS

DOROTHY GORDON

#### LECTURES

BERTHA KUNZ BAKER
CLAUDE BRAGDON
DR. CHRISTIAN BRINTON
HARVEY WILEY CORBETT
LEON DABO
DR. CLYDE FISHER
GEORGE GREBENTSCHIKOFF
BENJAMIN GROSBAYNE
RICHARD HAMMOND
NICHOLAS HAZ
DR. EDGAR L. HEWITT
DR. ALEXANDER KAUN
DR. R. V. D. MAGOFFIN
A. MERRIT
PROF. PAUL R. RADOSAVLJEVICH
ARTHUR STANLEY RIGGS
MARY FANTON ROBERTS
DEEMS TAYLOR
UUDLEY CRAFTS WATSON

<sup>\*</sup> Sabbatical Year.

# THE MASTER INSTITUTE FACULTY

Members of the Faculty who have been associated with Master Institute in the past and whose work was outlined in the previous report are as follows:

CARLOS SALZEDO

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THE MASTER INSTITUTE FACULTY

LECTURES GIVEN BY THE DIRECTOR OF MASTER INSTITUTE
AS WELL AS BY OFFICERS AND FACULTY MEMBERS OF MASTER INSTITUTE
On October 9, 1934, Mrs. Lichtmann gave a talk before the Westeleaster
Womens' Club. The talk was well attended by the members of the Westeleaster
Club, who expressed great interest in the Recrick Massum. Plans were
made be the members to visit the Museum as a group and to be conducted
through the Museum by Mrs. Lichtmann.

On October 27, 1934, Mrs. Lichtmann speke before saveral hundred members of
the Womens' Press Club at the Hotel Pennsylvania. Her talk was on the
subject of "The Need of Beauty in Education", This was their first meeting
of the season.

On Movember 14, 1934, Mrs. Lichtmann gave a lecture to the Sisterhood of
United Contral Synagogues on "The Recrick Pact in the Light of New Humanity".
The program was on peace, and the Recrick Pamer of Peace was displayed. A
large nucleonee velcomed the address and afterwards commented with great
interest on the Recrick Peace Pact.

On November 27, 1954, Mr. Lichtmann, Dean of the Music Department of Master Institute, broadcast over Station WARD in Brooklyn on the "Activities of Rocrich Museum".

On December 4, 1934, Mrs. Lichtmann spoke over station WARD in Brooklyn on "The Activities of the Master Institute".

On December 10, 1934, Mrs. Lichtmann gave a talk on Professor Rocrich and his art to a group from the Rutherford Womens' Club, which came to the Museum with their President, Mrs. Halsted.

Mrs. Seidel took the members of this club through the Museum and acquainted them with the activities of the various departments.

On December 11, 1934, Mrs. Helen T. Seidel, Assistant Director of the Master Institute, spoke over station WLTH in Brooklyh on the work of the junior students of the Master Institute. Jean Kraus and Estelle Eisner, two junior music students of the Master Institute, each played a plane composition.

On December 18, 1934, Mrs. Spitzer, member of faculty in Sculpture, gave a radio broadcast over station WARD in Brooklyn on "Method of Teaching Clay Modeling to Children".

On January 8, 1935, Miss Elizabeth Waters, member of faculty of the Dance, gave a broadcast on "Teaching of Oriental Methods and Rhythmics of the Dance" over Station WARD in Brooklyn.

On March 18, 1935, Mrs. Lichtmann gave a lecture to the Ridgewood (N.J.)
Womens' Club on the Roerich Pact and Farmer of Peace, illustrating it with
lantern-slide reproductions of Professor Roerich's paintings. After
the lecture the President and members expressed their great interest in
the Pact and Barmer of Peace. The club planned to have a special visit
to the Roerich Museum under the guidance of Mrs. Lichtmann in the near future.

On May 15, 1935, Mrs. Lichtmann spoke to the Parent Teacher Association at Public School 54, 104th Street and Amsterdam Avenue. The lecture was on Micholas Roerich As A Force in Modern Education, and was well received.

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On May 16, 1935, Mrs. Lichtmann gave a lecture - "The Significance of Nicholas Recrich in the World of Art Today", at the Russian People's Home, at the invitation of the big cooperative society, ROVA. She illustrated her talk with slides. A very good sized audience warmly received the lecture.

WOMENSO CLUBS AND GROUPS CONDUCTED THROUGH MASTER INSTITUTE OF UNITED ARTS BY THE DIRECTOR AND THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

On January 6th, 1935, Mrs. Lichtmann conducted a group from the Hadison, N.J. Paptist Church, with their Minister, Mr. Tilden, through the Museum. The group appreciated greatly the art of Professor Recrich.

A group of 25 arth students from Reading, Perma., with their teacher, Mrs. Miller, was conducted through the Museum by the Director, during Easter week. The students expressed their deep interest and admiration for the art of Professor Roerich, and asked the Director to come to Reading and give a lecture there before the Womens' Club in Reading.

During Easter week a group from Washington Irving High School, under the direction of their art teacher, came to see the Master Institute and the classes. The group was very much interested in the Master Institute's activities, and Mrs. Seidel showed them several of the art classes at work.

On March 7th, Mrs. Seidel conducted a group of 21 people from the Menry Street Settlement through the Museum. They were most enthusiastic and expressed a desire to make another visit.

on April 9 Mrs. Seidel, Assistant Director of Master Institute, conducted a group from the Psychiatric Institute of Medical Center through the Museum. They were very interest in the paintings by Professor Roerich, and asked many questions about his work and scientific activities.

On June 19th a club consisting of young high school atudents, under the title "The Eyes and Ears of Youth", was conducted by Ers. Lichtwamn through the Museum. She gave them a talk on the art and work of Professor Roerich.

# WELL-MONON EDUCATORS AND PERSONALITIES WHO VISITED ROUTED HUSERN AND WASTER INSTITUTE

During the latter part of the summer of 1934 Mr. W. Manson, a well known art collector from Stockholm, Sweden, who has several of Prof. Roerich's paintings in his collection, visited the Roerich Museum. Mrs. Lichtmann conducted him through the Museum, where he greatly admired the paintings by Professor Roerich.

Doring the early part of last fall Mr. Paul Hessemer, Curator of the Gustav Oberlander Myssum in Reading, Penma., visited Regrich Museum. The Director showed him the works of the students of the Master Institute, and he was greatly impressed by the scope of work.

On May 15, 1935, Mr. John Watson Rermell. former Associate of the Colorado Art Academy, visited the Master Institute. The work of the students impressed him most favorably. Mr. Remedi is at present connected with City College, where he is delivering a series of lectures on art and ert appreciation.