

MUSEUMS CELEBRATE OPENING OF SOL LEWITT WALL DRAWING RETROSPECTIVE
WITH WEEKEND OF FREE PUBLIC EVENTS

NOVEMBER 14 - 16, 2008



Left: *Wall Drawing 766* (detail), September 1994; San Francisco Museum of Modern Art.
Right: *Wall Drawing 415D* (detail), March 1993; LeWitt Collection, Chester, Connecticut.

Three special events, open to the public and free of charge, celebrate the opening of the landmark retrospective of wall drawings by Sol LeWitt at **MASS MoCA** (Massachusetts Museum of Contemporary Art), in North Adams, Massachusetts. A collaborative effort among **Yale University Art Gallery**, in New Haven, Connecticut; **MASS MoCA**; and the **Williams College Museum of Art (WCMA)**, in Williamstown, Massachusetts, *Sol LeWitt: A Wall Drawing Retrospective* opens on November 16, 2008, and remains on view for approximately twenty-five years.

The schedule of special events is as follows.

Preview and Reception for Related Exhibition: *The ABCDs of Sol LeWitt*

Friday, November 14

4:00 – 6:00 pm

Williams College Museum of Art, Williamstown, MA

This special exhibition at WCMA, the first in what will be a series of exhibitions related to ***Sol LeWitt: A Wall Drawing Retrospective***, features works of art from LeWitt's private collection that elucidate the underlying grammar of the artist's work and ideas. Williams College President Morty Schapiro will offer remarks.

Lecture and Discussion: Andrea Miller-Keller, Mel Bochner, Michael Glier, Chrissie Iles

Saturday, November 15

10:00 am – noon

The '62 Center for Theatre and Dance, Williams College, Williamstown, MA

Reservations recommended: Contact Aimee C. Hirz at aimee.c.hirz@williams.edu or 413.597.2429.

In a talk entitled “The ABCDs of Sol LeWitt Wall Drawings,” LeWitt scholar Andrea Miller-Keller discusses the wall drawings in the context of LeWitt’s practice. A conversation about LeWitt’s continued significance, with artists Mel Bochner and Michael Glier and Whitney Museum of American Art Curator Chrissie Iles, follows.

Opening Ceremony: *Sol LeWitt: A Wall Drawing Retrospective*

Sunday, November 16

Noon (Galleries open noon – 5:00 pm)

MASS MoCA, North Adams, MA

The opening ceremony for the exhibition, led by North Adams Mayor John Barrett III, marks the inauguration of this major retrospective while also celebrating a major increase in gallery space at the nine-year-old MASS MoCA.

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Press Information

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