Museum News

The Miami Art Museum recently announced that it has selected architects Herzog & de Meuron to design its new facility. The $120-million commission calls for a 125,000-square-foot building situated in Museum Park (formerly Bicentennial Park) near the Miami Museum of Science and Planetarium, which will also relocate to the park. The centerpiece in the city’s plan to revitalize the downtown area, the new Miami Art Museum is scheduled to open in 2010.

The Hessel Museum of Art debuted on Nov. 12 on the campus of Bard College in Annandale-on-Hudson, N.Y. The 17,000-square-foot facility designed by architects Goettscb Partners houses the collection of Marieluise Hessel on permanent loan to Bard. An integral part of Bard’s Center for Curatorial Studies (CCS), the museum and its programs will be administered by CCS director Tom Eccles. The inaugural exhibition, featuring some 200 works chosen by Eccles from the 1,700 works in the Hessel collection, includes major pieces by Carl Andre, Louise Bourgeois, Dan Flavin, Yayoi Kusama, Sigmar Polke, Gerhard Richter and Pipilotti Rist, among many others.