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Dedication ceremonies for the new Guggenheim Museum will be held at noon on Wednesday, October 21, Harry F. Guggenheim, President of the Board of Trustees of The Solomon R. Guggenheim Foundation, announced today. The Museum is the only major building in New York City designed by the late Frank Lloyd Wright.

Arthur S. Flemming, Secretary of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, will deliver the principal address at the formal opening. Other speakers will include Mayor Robert F. Wagner; Robert Moses, City Construction Coordinator; Henry Cabot Lodge, United States Ambassador to the United Nations; and Mr. Guggenheim.

The new Museum is located at 1071 Fifth Avenue, between 88th and 89th Streets. It is a wire-glass-domed concrete building with a spiral ramp, which allows continuous gallery space. It is cylindrical, six stories high, with a hollow center.

The ramp, about one-third mile long, rises in a gentle spiral inside the cylinder at a grade of three per cent. Legal specifications call for the grade of New York City sidewalks from the face of the building to the curb to be at least two per cent, and this comparable grade gives an idea of the slope of the ramp.

Paintings will be mounted in a novel manner in bays on the continuous wall side of the ramp.

The spiral construction of the ramp permits the visitor to enter or leave the gallery at any level, with the elevators always in plain view.

Mr. Wright's vertical spiral has been described as an inspired solution to the use of museum floor space.

The Museum administrative offices are in a smaller domed building adjoining the main structure to the north.

The late Solomon R. Guggenheim approved Mr. Wright's plans before his death in 1949. He established The Solomon R. Guggenheim Foundation, which operates the Museum, in 1937 "for the promotion and encouragement of art and the enlightenment of the public, especially in the field of art."

Demolition of the buildings formerly occupying the site was begun in 1956. Construction work was done by the Euclid Contracting Company.