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**SFMOMA SHOWCASES SPECIAL EXHIBITION FOR
ROOFTOP GARDEN**

From April 3 to October 26, 2008, the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art (SFMOMA) presents the special exhibition *A Rooftop Garden for SFMOMA*. With construction of the museum's new 14,400-square-foot Rooftop Garden currently under way, this exhibition offers visitors an experiential glimpse of SFMOMA's expansion. A horizontal projection on the second-floor landing mimics the span of windows that will eventually overlook the completed garden from the fifth-floor galleries, transforming an opaque wall into a virtual portal. The projection, conceived by Rooftop Garden architect Mark Jensen, paints an atmospheric portrait of the nascent outdoor space, conjuring specific visual elements related to the design as well as abstract suggestions of the changing seasons, weather, and hourly light that will influence the mood in the garden.

The Rooftop Garden will be constructed on the roof of the SFMOMA Garage on Minna Street, just behind the museum building, and will be linked to the museum's fifth-floor galleries by a glass and steel bridge. Once completed, the garden will serve as a venue for special events as well as an exhibition space for artworks in SFMOMA's collection.

Designed by San Francisco-based Jensen Architects, the garden will be an integral part of the museum's exhibition space. A panoramic window will replace the entire back wall of the museum's fifth floor, providing a dramatic view of the garden from inside the galleries. Visitors will be able to move between the museum building and the garden through an enclosed passageway that also can be used for the display of art. Outside in the garden, sculptures can be installed in two open-air spaces or within a luminous glass pavilion. The garden will also be dotted with seating areas and elegant plantings.

Jensen Architects' design team is Mark Jensen (principal), Dean Orr, Gretchen Krebs, Steven Huegli, and Orit Goldstein-Mayer. The collaborating landscape architect is Conger Moss Guillard Landscape Architecture. Their design team is Kevin Conger (principal) and Rayna Deniord.

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