

ART THAT'S A 'TEN'

Klint's 'Largest' at Guggenheim

With its cylindrical shape and long, winding gallery ramp (let's not forget about the art, too), the Guggenheim Museum is an inspiring and unexpected treat. We caught up with Friends board member Jill Sansone, who recently visited the landmark, to hear her impressions.

Why did you visit the Guggenheim?

I wanted to see how easy it was to use the free museum passes that the Friends provide for library patrons. And it was easy. I picked up the pass at the circulation desk on Sunday morning, went to the Guggenheim on Monday, returned the pass on Tuesday morning.

What exhibits did you see?

I wanted to see *The Ten Largest* paintings by Hilma af Klint. She was an abstract artist in the early 20th century who was way ahead of her time. Her paintings are very bright and colorful. At one point, the show intersected with some photographs by Robert Mapplethorpe. The contrast was tremendous – these bright paintings next to very stark black and white photos.

How easy was it to get to the museum?

Very easy. I took the NJ Transit bus to

the Port Authority. From there I caught a subway uptown. Then I had a charming ride on a bus through Central Park.

What else can you tell me about your visit?

After we visited the museum, my friend and I walked a few blocks to get something to eat, and who did we run into? Someone else from Hoboken!

What museum would you like to visit next?

I haven't been to the Frick in a while. They have a gorgeous exhibit [through July 14] of paintings by Giambattista Tiepolo, an 18th century Venetian artist.

– Audrey Merwin

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- Museum of the City of New York**
- Newark Museum**
- New-York Historical Society**
- Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum**

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Friends of the Hoboken Public Library Board Member Jill Sansone (right) with her museum buddy Elysa in front of one of Hilma af Klint's *The Ten Largest* paintings at the Guggenheim Museum.