1897  Syracuse Museum of Fine Arts chartered and opened in the Onondaga County Savings Bank

1906  Relocated to the Syracuse Public Library

1911  Declared focus on collecting American art (the first museum to do so)

1916  Established ceramics collection with purchase of porcelains by Adelaide Alsop Robineau

1932  Established Ceramics National Exhibition

1937  Relocated to the former Lynch Mansion on James Street

1965  Broke ground for new art museum designed by I.M. Pei

1968  Pei’s “work of art to house art” opened to widespread acclaim

1971  Presented Yoko Ono’s first solo exhibition, This Is Not Here

1972  Established Video Arts department

1987  Opened the groundbreaking exhibition Computers and Art

2009  Turner to Cézanne exhibition draws record crowds

2016  Created new dedicated Ceramics gallery