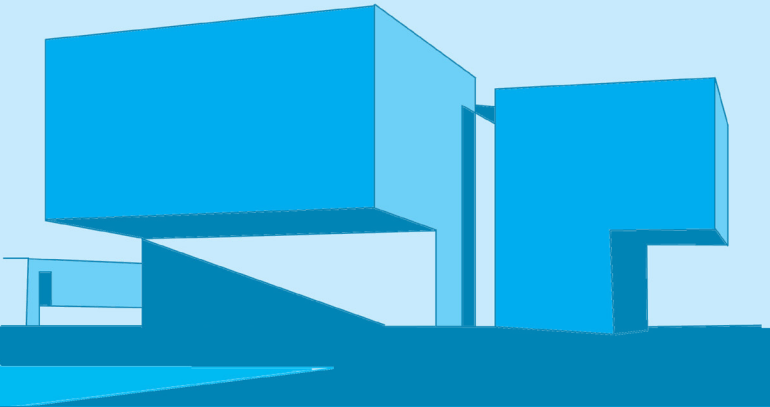




The Everson Museum of Art was designed by the famous architect Ieoh Ming Pei (known best by his initials, I.M.) who was born in China in 1917. Pei has designed buildings and museums all over the world, but the Everson was Pei's very first museum design. Building of the Everson began in April of 1966 and took two and a half years to finish!

The design of the Everson Museum of Art is special because the building is considered to be a sculpture itself. Pei once said, "architecture is the most public art" and felt it was important to create buildings that were also pieces of art.



### WHAT IS AN ARCHITECT?

An architect is a person who designs and plans buildings. Architects often work with a team of people to make decisions about how big the building will be and what materials will be used based on the building's purpose.

## BE AN ARCHITECT! Design your own museum

Use your imagination and the space provided to draw your very own museum. Can't print this sheet out? Grab a piece of paper from home.

Before you begin, think about what type of building you want to create. (This is the same process that architects use when planning a new building.) What type of museum will it be? What style is most fitting? What shapes will you use? Will it be a tall or short building? Big or small?

**Name of your Museum**

**Architect**

**Location**

