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WEXNER CENTER STORE TO OPEN WITH NEW LOOK AND MERCHANDISE

With a completely redesigned space showcasing a fresh mix of merchandise, the **Wexner Center Store** reopens **the week of September 26**. Refurbished as part of the Wexner Center's renovation, and now designed to complement the landmark Peter Eisenman-Richard Trott design of the Wexner Center, the store will stock the region's best selection of hard-to-find and out-of-print books on art, architecture, design, and film. It will also carry new items from the best manufacturers of modern housewares and accessories, including chairs, vases, rugs, pillows handbags, and jewelry. Pieces by designers such as Angela Adams, Jonathan Adler, Blik, Marc Newson, Sent, and Acme Made will now be immediately accessible to Columbus-area shoppers, in most cases for the first time. With these changes, the Store will become even more of a destination spot.

The redesigned Store also features new shelves and display cases, a glass facade, and a more welcoming entrance from Mershon Auditorium. Notes Wexner Center Store manager Chris Conti, "The new design will allow us to better showcase our inventory, which reflects the strongest and most interesting mix in our history. We're looking forward to welcoming our customers back." Conti has worked with retail consultants Matthew Ungar (independent retail consultant formerly with Functional Furnshings) and Leslie Malkoff (of Visualopathy) on the retail merchandising strategy and implementation.

The Wexner Center Store's new hours are Monday, 10 am–4 pm; Tuesday–Wednesday, 10 am–6 pm; Thursday–Friday, 10 am–8 pm; Saturday, 11 am–8 pm; and Sunday, 11 am–6 pm. The later weekend hours coincide with extended gallery hours (starting October 30) and with times for weekend films and performances.

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