

Downtown branch of High Museum set

A bright blue banner has been hung on the Houston Street side of the Georgia-Pacific Center heralding the downtown branch of the High Museum of Art. The facility, scheduled for completion in late February, will be among the largest museum satellites in the country.

"We anticipate the size of the new branch will allow us to provide numerous advantages to downtown Atlanta and its visitors," said Gudmund Vigtel, director of the High Museum.

It will span 12,000 square feet and three floors. A mezzanine gallery will overlook four lower galleries, a lobby, office areas and gift shop.

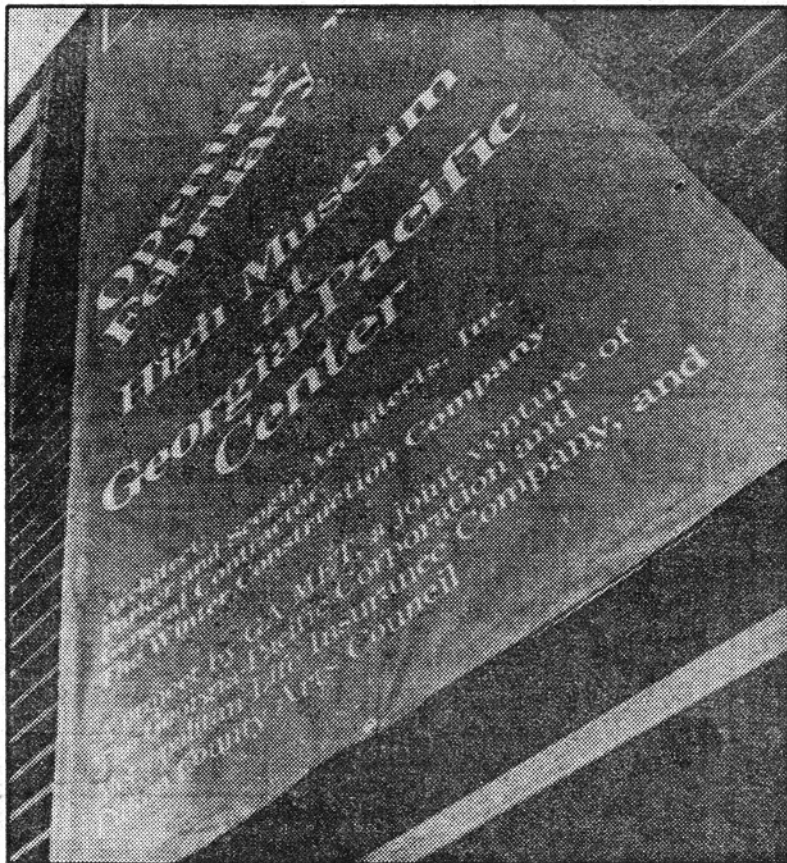
"Primarily, it will enable us to showcase distinct, smaller traveling exhibitions and regularly feature more of the main facility's permanent collection," Vigtel said.

It will be open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The glass-paneled structure will face Houston Street, though visitors will enter from Peachtree Street through the main lobby of the Georgia-Pacific Center.

Georgia-Pacific and Metropolitan Life Insurance Company are sponsoring the renovation for the museum area designed by Parker and Scogin Associates and constructed by Winter Construction Co.

— Actor Cordell



PROCLAIMING: A banner hanging on the Houston Street side of the Georgia Pacific Center heralds the opening of a downtown branch of the High Museum of Art.