

Next in Sarah's queue: Taschen's *Architecture Now! Museums*

Museums are easily one of my favorite things in the world. I can (and do!) spend hours wandering the halls of a museum, reading all of the little descriptions, viewing each painting from different angles, imagining the extinct taxidermied animals roaming in their natural habitat, sitting on a bench and watching the international tourists and cultured locals. I love museums in beautiful old buildings, like the Field Museum in Chicago, the National Gallery in London, and the Musée d'Orsay in Paris, that exude a sense history and scholarly import. I also love museums in new, architecturally creative buildings that echo the innovative artistry housed within their walls. Taschen's *Architecture Now! Museums* is the bible of the latter, highlighting architecturally inventive museums throughout the world with equally stunning photography. I hope to use this as a sort of guide book in my travels and would like to visit as many of the featured museums as possible, for their outward designs as much as their content.

