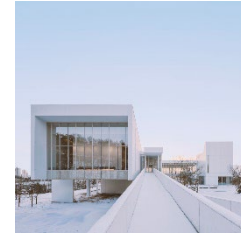


**Project:** Sorol Art Museum

**Team:** Meier Partners

**Size:** 3222 m<sup>2</sup>

**Location:** Gangneung, KOREA



**Feature:**

**Project** - Nestled in the scenic mountainous region of Gangneung, South Korea, the newly opened Sorol Art Museum seamlessly integrates architecture and nature through simple yet striking forms. Designed by Meier Partners, the 3,222 square-meter museum sits within the lush Gyo-Dong 7 Public Park, offering visitors panoramic views of the surrounding landscape.

Inspired by traditional Korean principles of Confucianism, the design focuses on simplicity, harmony with nature, and strategic use of natural light. The building comprises three main structures - a cantilevered north wing, a cube-like volume housing the main gallery, and a transparent entrance pavilion. Circulation spaces embrace the outdoors with open views, while galleries feature controlled natural light to spotlight the artwork.

A central courtyard and reflecting pool pay homage to classic Korean architecture. The signature feature is an sculptural inclined ramp connecting the museum's two levels while blurring the line between indoor and outdoor. Floor-to-ceiling windows and skylights punctuate the pure white interior, creating minimalist exhibition spaces bathed in diffused daylight. Through restrained materiality and forms, the building achieves a serene, temple-like atmosphere, allowing the artworks and surrounding nature to take center stage.

**Design Team** - Founded in 1963, Meier Partners has grown into an award-winning global design practice led by a multinational team providing comprehensive architectural services worldwide. With projects spanning over 60 years across five continents, the New York-based studio continues building on its unique legacy of visionary, light-filled designs, characterized by exceptional clarity, sublime spatial experiences, and meticulous craftsmanship.

Guided by rigorous design principles and technical expertise, Meier Partners creates uplifting, human-centered spaces integrating architecture, interiors, furnishings and art. An intensely collaborative approach enables holistic, immersive environments attuned to context. The studio combines modernism's formal purity with a passion for materials and details, bringing buildings to life through the poetic use of natural light. From the iconic Getty Center to the classic Douglas House, Meier Partners' portfolio includes over 130 sensitively sited projects amplifying culture, community and their surroundings.