

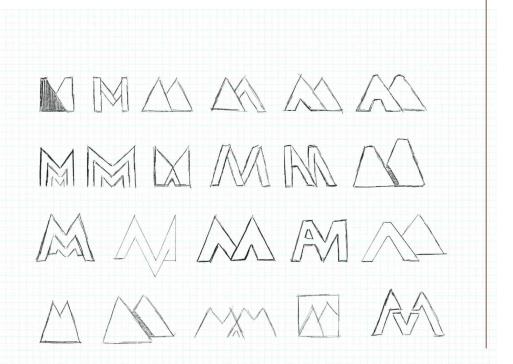
Exploring the M Letter Form

During the concept development process I decided to do a deeper study of the letter form M. The letter M has some unique qualities as it can bend and move in many ways and still retain it's readability as an M. This prompted me to push the envelope of this letter form and try a ways to combine both the M (3 M's in the museum name) and the letter A into one logo mark or symbol.









The M + The A



After much exploration I discovered several logo marks that successfully combined the letter M and A into one unique mark. I wanted to simplify the mark as much. I also explored rounded or more sharp corners. The sharper corners I felt matched with the more contemporary modern look.

Marsh

















Finding the Right Modern Typeface

A modern art museum deserves the right modern typeface. After playing with both serifs and sans-serif typefaces it became apparent that sticking with a sans-serif let the logo mark (symbol) take center stage. It also provided a sense of simplicity which is a common characteristic among modern art pieces. Helvetica has earned it's place as a fantastic flexible post modern typeface.





Sans-serif Options



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Serif Options



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Exploration Discoveries



Unbalanced ragged type



Unbalanced logo mark and logo type.

Standard Presentation (Horizontal)

This will be the preferred logo format when possible. It maintains a nice lockup that works well with social media, website banners and traditional print methods.



Logomark Only



Alternative Presentation (Vertical)

In other situations a vertical presentation may be needed. The text will remain left aligned to keep the recognition of the three M's.



Logotype Only

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Tag Presentation (Background)

In situations where the logo needs to exist over a detailed background I developed a tag presentation that will exist as a box on top of the background, keeping the logo in a neat clean area.





On top of light backgrounds

On top of dark backgrounds

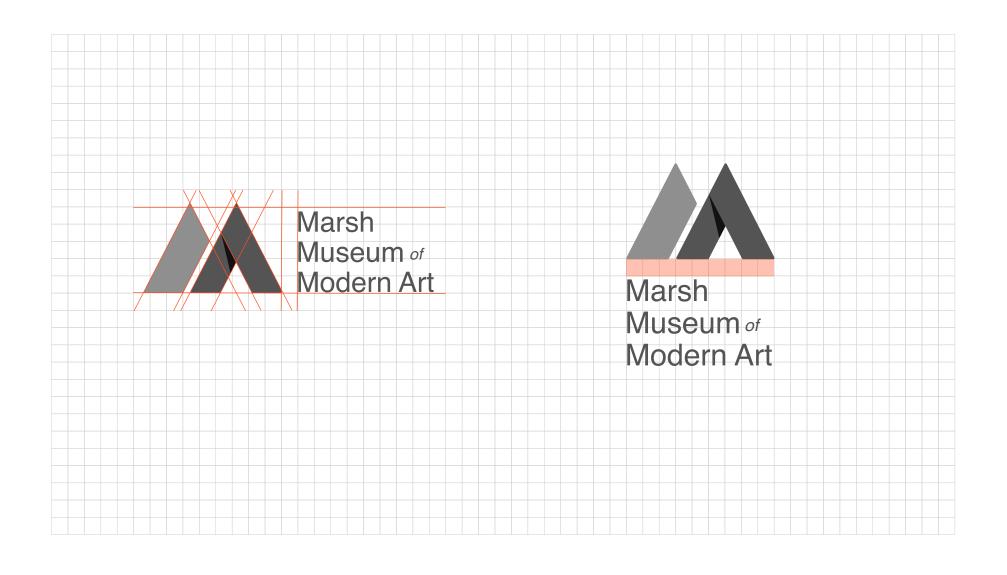






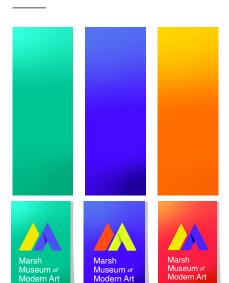


The Grid









Bright + Vivid + Strong

Colors were chosen based on a few factors:

- **1.)** Legibility The most important factor in the color palette selection. Enough contrast had to be generated for maximum readability at any size.
- **2.) Opposites attract** Most color combinations are opposites on the color wheel (better known as complimentary colors). This provides a natural harmonious color combo.













