

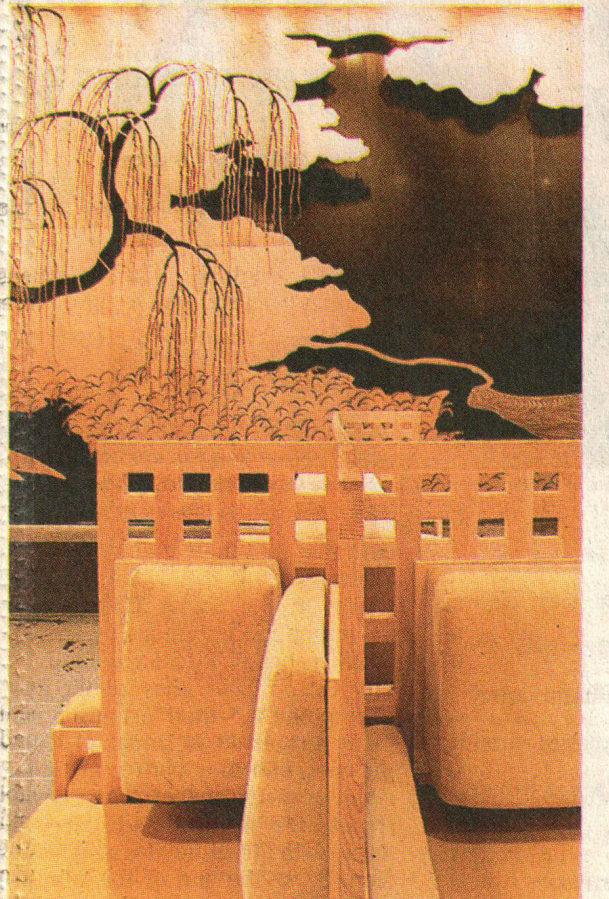


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WAITING ROOMS

Cool Falling Water Makes for a Warm Welcome

First impressions count; sometimes they can also soothe. For cancer patients at the Laurance S. Rockefeller Outpatient Pavilion at 160 East 53d Street, part of the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, the first image is of water trickling down a slate wall framed by bronze willow branches, below. The water wall, by Cliff Garten, a Los Angeles sculptor, is designed to comfort. Mary-Jean Eastman, the Manhattan architect who designed the pavilion, said, "It's about hospitality." The pavilion, which opened last month, has a water garden on each floor, living plants, a television set for amusement, and free fresh fruit and espresso. Honey-colored maple, ash and pear add warmth to the spaces.



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