



At the foot of the hill from which a beautiful panorama of Kaunas old town opens, in 1932 a wooden house was built for Juozas Gruodis, a preeminent Lithuanian composer. The designer of this building, a prominent interwar architect, Feliksas Vizbaras, tried to fit in the building to the tree-covered hillside. This explains the juxtaposition of one story and two storey features. In front of the main entrance there is a porch with five

Wood based architecture

## KAUNAS CITY MUSEUM - JUOZAS GRUODIS HOUSE



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wooden columns supporting a balcony. House decorations display elements of Lithuanian folk art. The wooden window art symbolizes the artist's keenness for ethnic musical motives. The surrounding orchard was designed by Gruodis and still grows today. A birch tree donated by the composer's student, Julius Juzeliūnas, is among the trees surviving today. In 1974, a memorial museum of Juozas Gruodis was established, where the exposition on the composer's life and his works are presented. Poetry events, concerts, educational programs are offered to the public here.