



### Interwar architecture

## KAUNAS ART GYMNASIUM (FORMER VILLA OF PRIME MINISTER JUOZAS TŪBELIS)



Dainavos g. 1, Kaunas

The villa of Prime Minister Juozas Tūbelis arose in one of the prettiest Kaunas spots, on the uppermost terrace of the Žaliakalnis hillside near Kaukas Lane (the stairway was erected in 1936). The main rooms of the house were intended for receptions, frequently organized by the Prime Minister's wife, the well-known social activist Jadvyga Tūbelienė. In his later works architect Feliksas Vizbaras created a modernist villa of quite expressive abstract shapes. Although the building can hardly be compared against prime examples of Western European residential



houses of modernist aesthetics, in Lithuanian context it was one of the most modern objects of its kind built in the temporary capital during the interwar period. Since 1946 the building has been an art school (now Kaunas Art Gymnasium). Year: 1933. Style: Modernism. Architect Feliksas Vizbaras.