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Hello Everybody!

New Architect Profile: Charlotte’s **Crutcher Ross**. Includes project videos filmed just last week, or go to [http://www.youtube.com/user/TMHVideos](http://www.youtube.com/user/TMHVideos) for the complete set.

What I’ve Learned: **Harwell Hamilton Harris**’ counsel on designing small houses, written for *California Architecture*, 1935.

The Triangle’s rich Modernist heritage was featured this week in an article in *Modern Magazine*: *The South that Rose Again* by **J. Mike Welton**. Mike also recently interviewed **Phil Freelon** FAIA for *INFORM*, [here](#).
The TMH Modern 2010 Home Tour, Saturday, September 25, 1-430pm, featuring nine incredible houses (well, one’s an incredible office, to be honest) from the mid-century 1950’s through today. With an emphasis on sustainability, our famous free bus shuttles stop in front of each house every nine minutes - no clogging streets with traffic, no struggling with the GPS, no annoying the neighbors, no getting lost, no finding a place to park! And, best of all, photography is allowed everywhere inside and outside. Discount advance tickets and full details are online here.

Or, get the same discount in person at Quail Ridge Books at Raleigh’s Ridgewood Shopping Center – proud sponsor of TMH Modern 2010 and one of the area’s last great independent bookstores!

After TMH Modern 2010, visit the celebrated light sculpture, Color Wall, created in 1972 by renowned Raleigh artist and beloved College of Design professor, Joe Cox. The Color Wall will be relit at a public event during the official reopening and dedication of Hillsborough Street celebration to be held on September 25. Visit the Color Wall site for more information on the public re-lighting as details are finalized. Thanks to Goodnight Raleigh for this update and all their rallying to raise funds for the restoration. →

NEWS

Thanks to Tobias Kaiser for contributing extensive information on over 100 Richard Neutra houses in Germany. With these additions, TMH has one of the most complete Neutra house archives in the world.

Richard Krenicky is moving, but he’s not taking his great collection of Modernist furniture: an Eames compact sofa, Saarinen Womb chair & ottoman, George Nelson saucer bubble light fixture, Bertoia diamond wire chair with full cover, Eames walnut dining chair, George Nelson side table, Noguchi washi paper floor lamp, Eames fiberglass shell chairs, and much more for sale. Contact him fast at rkrenicky@entact.com or 919.896.8962.

Tonic Design’s GREENville House is the News and Observer’s June Home of the Month.
Edward Bern Walser died at home in early May after a long battle against a brain tumor. He was one of the sons of Raleigh’s best Modernist builder for decades, Frank Walser. Bern attended North Carolina State University majoring in Political Science. He worked initially in the building trade with his grandfather John Hornbuckle, owner and operator of Carolina Waterproofing, but it was under the exacting guidance of his father that Bern acquired extraordinary skills in carpentry and home construction. Like his father, Bern dedicated himself to general contracting, becoming a master builder in his own right. He lived in the Ritcher House, designed by George Matsumoto, built by his Dad, and listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

NEW ON THE MARKET – both designed by architects for themselves....

1955 – The Jim and Kelly Brandt House, his own design at 122 East Drewry Lane, Raleigh. Built by Frank Walser. Sold in 1979 to Edwin G. and Emmagene Thurlow, Jr. Sold in 1982 to Peggy Howell Watkins Page who built an addition in 1986. Sold in 2005 to current owner Laura Ling. The original roof design was gravel with a series of arches set next to each other along the length of the house. It has been replaced with a traditional shingle roof. For sale, $384,900, here.

1988 - The TJ Land House, 1445 Poinsett Drive, Chapel Hill. 1.5 acres. Designed by architect TJ Land. For sale, $500,000, here.

PRICE DROPS

1951 - The Robert (Bob) and Elizabeth Lassiter House, 726 Hempstead Place, Charlotte. Designed by A. G. Odell. Steel beams support the roof and eliminate the need for load-bearing interior walls, thereby enabling large open spaces to predominate throughout the interior. A particularly ingenious scheme was an arrangement whereby the dining table could be set in the kitchen, complete with food and adornments, and slid through the wall into the dining room. Appeared in Better Homes and Gardens September 1956. Odell did an addition in the 1970's. Included a saltwater pool. Built for current owners. For sale, $875,000 down from $1,000,000, here.

1998 - 111 Eyemouth Court, Cary. Designed by Canadian architect Alain Dupuis, 4000sf, four bedrooms, 3.5 baths, .61 acres. For sale, $635,000 down from $700,000, here or call Montie Smith at 919-880-7673. Went on the market April 2010.

2003 - The Joseph Rowand Residence, aka Fairmont, 4600 Old NC Highway 86, between Hillsborough and Chapel Hill. Designed by Phil Szostak. This home is made for entertaining and art, including a pool and extensive gardens. More photos here. Went on the market in early June 2010 for $3,000,000 – now $2,500,000, here.

Kind regards,

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