Hello Everybody!

New Architect Profiles:  Walter Gropius, one of the most influential architects of the 20th century; and Carl Koch of Techbuilt.

Of all the known Milton Small houses, there was only one I could not find. This weekend, the original owners wrote in and sent photos. See the Glover Residence, just north of Clarksville VA, here. Thanks to the Glovers!

One incredible incentive for Modernist design is back after an absence of almost a decade. I could not happier to report that AIANC and the NC Architectural Foundation will award the Kamphoefner Prize this year. Established by Henry and Mabel Kamphoefner, the Kamphoefner Prize encourages individuals and firms to pursue the fundamental principles of the modern movement in architecture. The $10,000 prize is awarded annually as funds permit to an AIANC member or firm that can demonstrate a sustained dedication to architectural practice and the "Modern Movement in Architecture" for a period of at least ten years. Kamphoefner (who could always be counted on for candor) established a clear and direct qualification for the winner:

“The selection committee for this award believes that the chosen architect has demonstrated a consistent integrity and devotion over an acceptable period of time to further the development of the modern movement in architecture without yielding to any of the undesirable current cliches, neomodernistic mannerisms or artless historicism that have flawed the building culture of today.”
Get submission details [here](#). Read about Henry Kamphoefner’s life and career, including the history of this prize and past winners, [here](#). Listen to some great interviews between [Charles Kahn](#) and Kamphoefner from the 1970’s, [here](#).

**The "Famount" Tour, aka The Joe Rowand Residence, Saturday, July 24, 10am-1pm, between Hillsborough and Chapel Hill.** Built in 2003, Fairmount and its grounds are one of the Triangle’s most remarkable residences. The project was commissioned by owner Joe Rowand and designed by architect Phil Szostak FAIA. Joe Rowand is the owner of Somerhill Gallery in downtown Durham, one of the most prominent and enduring art galleries in the Southeast. Abstract and representational artwork in all visual disciplines is on display in the gallery’s 9,600 square feet, also designed by Szostak.

Joe’s beautiful home, naturally, is a reflection of his gallery, with volumes of exceptional paintings, sculpture, fine art glass, and other works by nationally recognized artists and craftspeople. It was built by Chuck Lewis Construction. 5000 sf on 22.5 acres. And it is for sale; agent Susan Peak will be on hand. **Details, more photos, and discount advance tickets available [here](#)!** Free to [Mod Squad members](#), just send an email with your preferred tour time.

**This could be you on the terrace!** Going to [Frank Lloyd Wright’s Fallingwater](#) has been the number one travel request from TMH fans for many months -- so we’ve put together a truly memorable, affordable weekend trip in September featuring Fallingwater, Kentuck Knob, and a special surprise in Pittsburgh. See Frank Lloyd Wright’s masterpiece, one of the best-known and loved houses in the world, as few get to see it – a full guided tour, with photography privileges, finished off with a sunset wine and cheese reception. Now how cool is that?

C’mon, you know you want to go! Treat yourself to this [once-in-a-lifetime experience](#), complete with flight, hotel, admissions, most meals, even wifi on our tour bus. Details and signup are [here](#). Act quickly—there are only 12 seats left for this awesome weekend trip September 18-19.

**The TMH Modern 2010 Home Tour** is 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 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.

Over the next few weeks, we’ll be thanking Tour sponsors, the architects, designers, stores, and other organizations who make these exciting house events possible. This week, kudos to Vinny Petrarca, whose firm Tonic Design has won many residential architecture awards at both the local and state level. Meet him and his design/build team at their booth September 25. Tour details online here.

NEW ON THE MARKET


1975 - The Vladimir and Merrill Petrow Residence, 1905 Jones Ferry Road, Chapel Hill. Built for current owners. This is a Deck House on 28 acres! Went on the market June 2010 for $650,000, here.

PRICE DROPS


1963 - The Frederick B. and Bobbie T. Adams Residence, 5110 Towne and Country Road (formerly Leesville Road), Raleigh. Designed by Truman Newberry. 2.8 acres. 5592 square feet. Concrete block construction (Adams was in the block business) with a series of skylights and courtyards. For sale, $690,000 down from $750,000, here.

Kind regards,

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