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## News This Week:



**New: The TMH Chicago Architecture Tour, Friday-Sunday, April 26-28.** Sponsored by VMZINC. Have you always wanted to see Chicago's great architectural landmarks, like Frank Lloyd Wright's Home and Studio? What about his Robie House? Did you know that just an hour away, there's the Farnsworth House by Mies Van Der Rohe? What about a relaxing boat tour around the amazing buildings downtown? You will see all of them, plus much more. What about flying to Chicago? It's all included. Lunches? Yes, breakfasts, too, plus a dinner. A suite hotel right downtown? You betcha. Ground transportation? Of course, and we'll have wi-fi on board. Wow, that's really incredible! We think so, too. There are only 24 seats available, and the Mod Squad has taken 9 of them so far. [Details and tickets.](#)

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## New on the Market

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**New Raleigh House Tour:** The Owen Smith House, Saturday, February 2, 9am-Noon, 122 Perquimans Drive, Raleigh. One of Raleigh's Largest Mid-Century Moderns, Open to the Public for the First Time Since 1960. Admission \$6.95 per person, Mod Squad members just \$1. [Details, directions, and tickets!](#)



**BOUGHT and SAVED:** The Frank Lloyd Wright Building Conservancy has facilitated the purchase of the **David and Gladys Wright House** in Phoenix, Arizona, through an LLC owned by an anonymous benefactor. The transaction closed on December 20 for an undisclosed price. The property will be transferred to an Arizona nonprofit organization responsible for the restoration, maintenance and operation of the House. The new owner will request that the Phoenix City Council give the site landmark status next year.

\$4, including shipping to anywhere in the US. [Details and ordering.](#)

# THE NEUTRAS



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**Dion Neutra's** new book on his father, **Richard Neutra**, "The Neutras, Then & Later" can be previewed [here](#) and bought [here](#) for only \$30. The 192 page coffee table book is a real beauty. This is the first time a major architectural practice has been tracked by recording the fate of its built structures. Visit TMH's extensive archive of Richard Neutra's houses [here](#).



**Edward Durell Stone** is all the rage now, with two books out on the man called "Modernism's populist architect" by author Mary



Anne Hunting. By the 1960's, Frank Lloyd Wright was dead and Stone was the heir to America's attention as Number One Architect. Her new book on Stone is a fair and balanced showcase of his career, including the distinct stages he went through. At one point, it is said, he had a billion dollars worth of work on the drawing board. In Raleigh, Stone is known for the original Museum of Art building on Ridge Road and the NC Legislative Building downtown, both designed in coordination with Raleigh firm Holloway and Reeves. **We'll be giving away a copy at the next [Nowell's Architecture movie](#).** Visit TMH's extensive archive of Stone's houses [here](#).

[Mike Welton of Architects+Artisans](#) reviews [a new book on Le Corbusier's houses](#). Explore TMH's archive of Corbu's houses [here](#).

**Residential Architect Magazine's [most popular projects](#) of 2012.**

Are you a true Modernist? They you'll certainly know all the [new words and phrases developed during 2012](#), as reported in the New York Times.



**TMH/Nowell's Architecture  
Movie: [The Pruitt-Igoe Myth \(2011\)](#),  
730pm, January 10, Raleigh**

**Grande.** Destroyed in a dramatic and highly-publicized implosion, the Pruitt-Igoe public housing complex in St. Louis became a widespread symbol of failure by architects, politicians and policy makers. This film explores the social, economic and legislative issues that led to the decline of conventional public housing and city centers while tracing the poignant narratives of several residents. [Details](#).



**2013 Appetite4Architecture Dinners:** Dreaming of a new Modernist house or renovation? Here's your chance to break bread with prominent members of the architecture community in an intimate, affordable small group setting at **18 Seaboard** in Raleigh. Explore architecture, homebuilding, the economy for design, furnishings, real estate -

or anything else on your mind! There are no presentations or Powerpoint slides -- just great conversations with award-winning cuisine. A4A events tend to sell out way in advance, so get your place now! [Details and registration](#). **Deadline for each dinner is one week prior.**

January 15, 7pm: [John Reese](#), [Mike Rantilla](#), and [Vinny Petrarca](#); Sponsored by VMZINC.

January 22, 7pm: [Adam Sebastian](#), [Will Alphin](#), and [Scott Ogden](#); Sponsored by VMZINC.

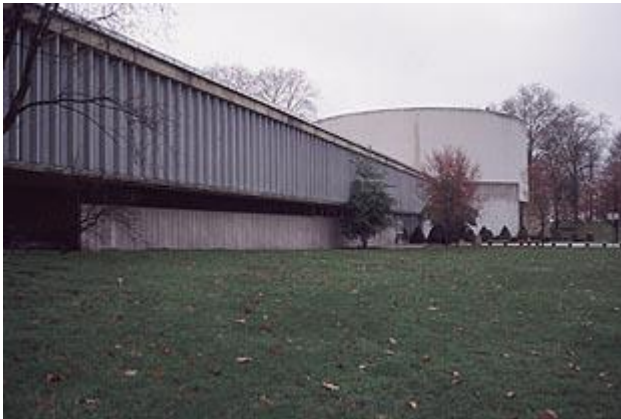
January 29, 7pm: [Ellen Cassilly](#), Phil Freelon, and Nneena Freelon. Sponsored by Steelcase.

## **Support Modernist Preservation, Local and National:**

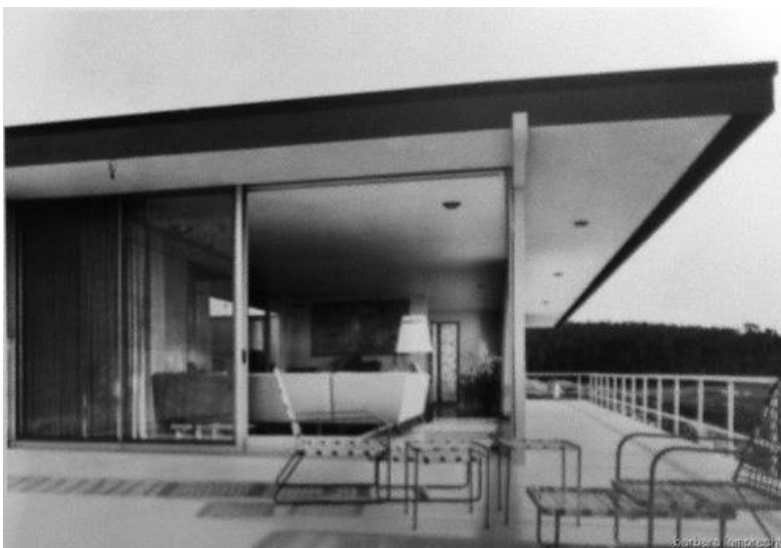


**Paschal House Petition:** The heirs of Raleigh's **1950 Paschal**

**House**, a masterpiece by early NCSU School of Design faculty member Jim Fitzgibbon, have ***solicited a proposal this fall to deconstruct*** the house, so the clock is ticking on Raleigh's most important endangered mid-century modern. Overpricing the property (as it has been for five years) keeps it vacant and vulnerable. You can help influence whether this iconic home is saved - or goes vanishes like the Catalano House did in 2001. Help save the long-empty and still-savable property through signing the petition here.



**Gettysburg Battlefield Cyclorama Petition:** Join the ten-year fight to save Richard Neutra's Cyclorama Building, here. 4000+ people have signed urging salvation of this National Register of Historic Places icon which the National Park Service is determined to destroy.



Join the movement to save the 1958 Connell House by Richard Neutra in Pebble Beach, California. As of December 2012, the

Monterey County RMA-Planning Department informed TMH that the owner's permit request to demolish has not been granted *and has not even been acted on* because it is incomplete. Once complete, however, it will be subject to environmental review pursuant to CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) and given a public hearing before the Planning Commission. So, for the moment, it is safe.

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