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Celebrating Jon Condoret:



Saturday, April 13, 9-12N, you can visit the house that architect **Jon Condoret** called his favorite house! The spectacular 1973 Arthur and Florence Larson residence in Durham was commissioned to Chapel Hill architect Jon Condoret in 1971. Over the next few decades, the Larsons frequently entertained their friends and fellow Duke faculty, including many classical

music concerts in the large living room. Originally, the Larson house was 4825 sf. When the Larsons sold, new owners Wendy Robineau and Donald Besking engaged a renovation designed by California architect Fu-Tung Cheng and built by Landmark Renovation. Landscape architect Judy Harmon did the entry design. In 2011, there were master bedroom renovations, expanding the house to 6040 sf. [Advance discount tickets](#) are available thru Monday, April 8 at 5pm, and three of the five public time slots are already SOLD OUT. Tickets will be \$10 at the door.

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Modernist Houses For Sale or Rent

Keeping Modernist houses occupied is the best way to save them! Check this exclusive statewide list, now with photos and sortable by city.

Durham Magazine's April issue features a wonderful on **Jon Condoret**, plus the Durham Edition of this past Sunday's News and Observer did a story on the Larson House.



Leon Meyers Builders has generously provided access for 25 high school and college architecture students to attend the Larson House Tour. If student involvement in architecture is important to you, please join us in thanking Leon at 919.403.1883 or

lmeyers@lemeyersbuilders.com.

News This Week:

- **Will Alphin** has an extra seat on the long-sold-out Chicago Trip for sale at a \$249 discount. Contact him at 919.829.0109 or will@alphindesignbuild.com. This is for double occupancy; buyer must pay additional cost for a single room.
- Clark Nexsen has merged with **Pearce Brinkley Cease + Lee (PBC+L)**, making Clark Nexsen a 550-plus, multi-disciplinary staff including architects, engineers, interior designers, landscape architects, planners, and other support personnel. PBC+L is one of Raleigh's oldest firms, going back to the days of Thomas Cooper, Al Haskins, and Dick Rice.



Trig Modern, a new modern furnishings store owned by Lee Tripi and Bob Drake, is at 328 West Jones Street, Raleigh.



New architect to the Modernist archives: Raleigh's Jason Hart of CUBE Design+Research.

- The 2013 Green Home Tour will have a Kickoff Reception on Thursday, April 11, 5-7pm, at BuildSense, 502 Rigsbee Avenue, Durham.
- **Art and Architecture:** AuctionFirst® and the ChromaZones, a group of award-winning artists, will present a free special art exhibition on Sunday, April 14, from 2-4 p.m., at 6108 Lost Valley Road, Raleigh. The 4500-square-foot 1967 Modernist house was designed by Raleigh architect Abie Harris and features an open floor plan with a sunken media room with built-in seating and stone fireplace. The house and eight-acre property will be sold at auction with final bids due by 3 p.m. on May 21.
- Those of you who traveled with us to Richmond a few years ago will remember Haigh Jamgochian, the visionary architect of the Merkel building. He also owns a crumbling Edward Durell Stone house from the 1930's. It's for sale. Hat tip to Claire Van Loenen.
- Need an inexpensive, gently owned **Sony Vaio I5 / 8G RAM laptop**? Much of TMH's website was built on this machine, and as we've just gotten an I7, this one's for sale on Ebay.



Saturday & Sunday, April 27-28: **Preservation Durham's Downtown Durham Home Tour**, 12-4pm both days. Features 14 amazing downtown lofts. Tickets available starting April 2nd online, or at The Regulator, or at Morgan Imports. \$30 in advance, \$35 at the event.



Friday, May 3 - The AIA Triangle Golf Tournament supporting the NC State College of Design Scholarships. Shotgun start begins at 1pm at the Lonnie Poole Golf Course, Raleigh. Space is limited.

Details.

T4A Happy Hour April 25, 6-8pm

Buildsense / Studio B, Durham



Thirst4Architecture (T4A) happy hours are informal and free and open to the public. We welcome Modernist homeowners, architects, artists, designers, realtors, engineers, contractors, property investors, building managers, Modernist homeowners, materials and furniture dealers – or anyone with a huge crush on great architecture. T4A events focus on building relationships, generating passion about good design, creating strategic alliances, and connecting people to each other. Join [Randy Lanou](#) and [Erik Mehlman](#) and their team's amazing new Green offices, complete with wind power, solar power, sustainable materials, even a charging station! They transformed an old Tire King into a state-of-the-art green building that is home to ClearVue Glass, BuildSense and Studio B Architecture and a yoga studio. [Details and directions.](#)

May 11: The Charlotte Modernist House Tour + IKEA Trip!



Travel with us on Saturday, May 11. Did you know that Charlotte has some fantastic mid-century Modernist houses? Every two years TMH visits Charlotte for their Modernist House Tour. This year it's called MAD ABOUT MODERN. We'll see four of those homes plus a few open exclusively for us, all on luxury bus transportation with free wi-fi, breakfast, lunch, and a trip to IKEA!



Plus, our first stop on this amazing day of touring is the award-winning 1959 Holy Comforter Lutheran Church in Belmont NC, designed by A. G. Odell. The acoustics and the evocative design vibe are extraordinary. After a day of seeing Modernist houses around Charlotte, **we'll stop at IKEA** for shopping and some of their world-famous Swedish

meatballs on the way home. [Details and tickets](#). This trip will sell out, so act now!



Mayberry Modernism On The Road

TMH Founder George Smart speaks around the state on the incredible history of North Carolina's Modernist houses. Want to book this talk for your organization or company? [Details](#).

- April 25, 10am, **Prudential York Simpson Underwood**, 921 Morreene Road, Durham. Open only to PSYU staff.
- August 7, 530pm, location TBA in Raleigh. Co-sponsored with **Capital Area Preservation**. Free and open the public. \$10 for architects who want an informative, entertaining, easy hour of CE credit.
- September 9, 830am, **Raleigh Regional Association of Realtors**, 111 Realtors Way, Cary. Open only to RRAR members.

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