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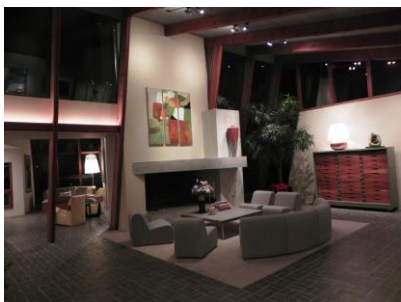
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## Larson Tour: Advance Tickets SOLD OUT!



**Saturday, April 13, 9-12N.** The advance discount tickets are all gone, but due to cancellations and no-shows there will be approximately 20 walkup tickets available at the door for \$10/person. [Details](#)

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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.



## ModShop IV: SOLD OUT!

Saturday, May 11. 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 shopping 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. We are taking names for a waiting list. [Details.](#)

## News This Week:

- **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 3pm on May 21.
- The [Owen Smith House](#), on TMH tour a few months ago, [is now for sale](#).
- **Victorian to Modern Lecture, Sunday, April 14, 2pm,** Roundabout Art Collective. **Ruth Little**, architectural



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

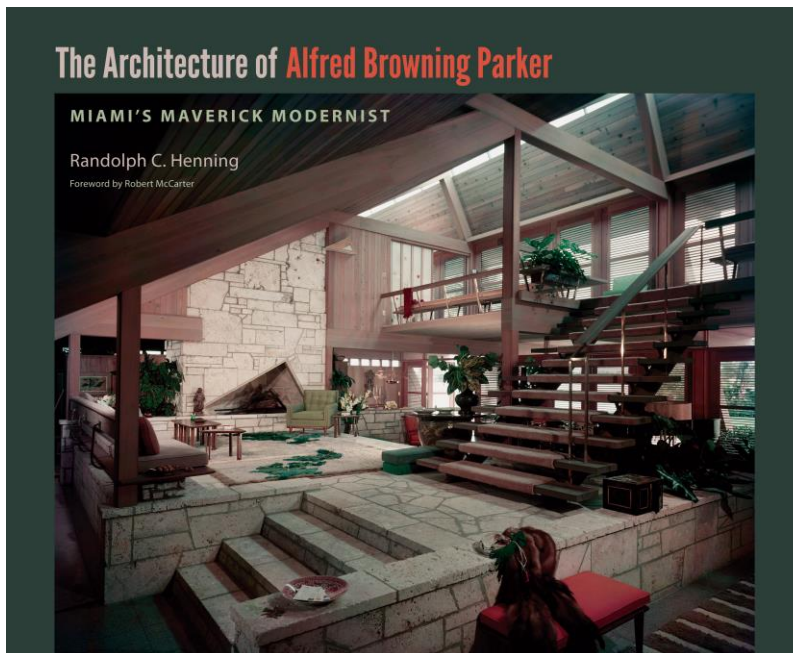


New architect in the Modernist archives: Wilmington's [Michael Moorefield](#).

historian, and [Abie Harris](#), University Architect Emeritus, will explore the architectural mysteries of the NC State University campus in a visual lecture moving from Victorian to Modern on Sunday, April 14, at 2 pm at the Roundabout Art Collective.

- Saturday & Sunday, April 27 & 28: **Preservation Durham's Downtown Durham Home Tour**, 12-4pm both days. The tour features 14 amazing downtown lofts. Tickets available [online](#) or at The Regulator or at Morgan Imports. \$30 in advance, \$35 at the event.
- Perhaps the **single most important discovery** in mid-century modern renovation and restoration is [here](#). Hat tip to Virginia Faust.

## New Book:



Lewisville NC architect Randolph Henning has a new book: [The Architecture of Alfred Browning Parker: Miami's Modernist Maverick](#). *Parker* is one of the twentieth century's most famous Florida-based architects. A principal leader of the "Coconut Grove School" of tropical organic architecture, he is arguably the most renowned and honored architects in Florida architecture, and his influence has been felt throughout the United States and

the Caribbean. Attaining an almost rock star–like status in his home city of Miami, Parker was publicly praised by Frank Lloyd Wright, something Wright rarely did. Parker’s work and philosophy has had an ecological and environmental basis since the early 1940s. He began expressing an interest in alternative fossil fuels and renewable energy sources in the 1970s, far ahead of the current trends in green and energy-conscious architecture. Henning’s overview of the life work of this modernist master features sixty-nine of the more than five hundred residential and commercial structures Parker created between 1942 and 2001, along with 400+ photos and a complete list of Parker’s works.

## **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.](#)



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.](#)



## 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 company or group? [Details.](#)

- August 7, 530pm, AIA North Carolina, 14 East Peace Street, Raleigh. Co-sponsored with **Capital Area Preservation**. Free to attend, \$10 for architects who want an hour of CE credit.
- September 9, 830am, **Raleigh Regional Association of Realtors**, 111 Realtors Way, Cary. Open only to RRAR members.

## Spend the Night in a Wright!

### From Chevrolet/Kristan Schiller:

- Seth Peterson Cottage, Lake Delton, Wisconsin. This tiny one-bedroom cottage—which boasts a wall of windows overlooking Wisconsin's Mirror Lake—was one of Wright's last commissions. In 1989, a group of local residents formed a grass-roots campaign to undertake a \$300,000 restoration, finished in 1992, the 125th anniversary of Wright's birth. Rental rates start at \$250 per night for a maximum of four people, though the property sleeps two comfortably.
- Louis Penfield House, Willoughby, Ohio. A three-bedroom Usonian home in wooded Willoughby (about

20 minutes east of downtown Cleveland), the Louis Penfield House was rehabbed in the early 2000's by the initial owner's son and his wife. Set on preserving the ambiance of a house rather than fostering the atmosphere of a museum, the Penfields don't give daily tours. To see it, you must actually live in it. Rates start at \$275 per night for up to five people.

- Duncan House, Acme, Pennsylvania. Lovingly moved from its original Illinois location and rebuilt by the Frank Lloyd Wright Building Conservancy in Pennsylvania—about half an hour from the “tourable” Fallingwater—Duncan House shares the 100-acre Polymath Park with three other homes for rent, designed by Wright's protégés. With its secluded setting off a country road, horizontal red stripes on a yellow exterior and cathedral-ceiling living room, this house is quintessential Wright. Nightly rates for the three-bedroom home start at \$399, depending on the number of guests.
- Haynes House, Fort Wayne, Indiana. John D. Haynes, an insurance salesman, is said to have commissioned one of Wright's best designs. With its sweeping cypress ceiling and cantilevered brick fireplace, the home includes a music room and three bedrooms that form a T-shape when viewed from afar. Outside, there is gabled roofing and inside, a trove of furniture that Wright originally designed for the house. The nightly rate of \$300 is for a maximum of four people.
- Bernard Schwartz House, Two Rivers, Wisconsin. Also known as Still Bend, the sparkling Bernard Schwartz House boasts wraparound seating, geometrically patterned clerestory windows, and a towering interior balcony. Another odd but interesting feature; this historic home is thought to have the oldest, continuously operating in-floor heating system in the U.S. Nightly rates start for this four-bedroom home, which sleeps a maximum of eight, start at \$295 per night.

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