Upcoming Events

Thursday, September 19, 5:30-7:30pm, a joint T4A/Historic Happy Hour with Preservation Durham at Straw Valley Cafe, photo above, a magical Modern oasis that's been restored as a coffee bar, wine bar, courtyard, retail, and event hall. It's the last one for 2013! 5420 Durham-Chapel Hill Boulevard, Durham. Details.
NCMH's Architecture Movie Series opens at the Raleigh Grande October 2, 7:30pm, with a double feature. The movie series is sponsored by Sarah Sonke of MODTriangle and brings you new and hard-to-find architecture films, visually ho-hum on TV but stunning on the 50-foot screen and digital sound system! Additional sponsors include VMZINC, Kontek Systems, A+S Design, and CAM. We open with Futuro: A New Stance for Tomorrow (photo above) and People in Glass Houses: The Legacy of Joseph Eichler. Details.

Saturday, October 5, 10am-5pm, the AIA Triangle Residential Tour showcases award-winning, architect-designed homes throughout the North Carolina Triangle region. This is a self-guided tour open to the public. Tickets are $15, $20 day-of. Begin at any of the homes and visit them at your leisure. Architects and docents will be available at each site to answer your questions. Details and more information.

News This Week
This past Saturday, NCMH won the Legacy Award from AIA North Carolina at their state conference in Wilmington. The Legacy Award, established in 2010, recognizes significant contributions to the profession of architecture by a non-architect. NCMH's George Smart accepted on behalf of you -- all the wonderful volunteers, homeowners, realtors, tour participants, architects, builders, and Modernist fans that have given financial support and countless hours to document, preserve, and promote Modernist houses in North Carolina. We give a special thanks to Leilani Carter, Virginia Faust, and Catherine Westergaard who've clocked in at least 1500 hours each over the past few years.

At the AIA North Carolina awards, held on the deck of the Battleship North Carolina, there were 41 houses submitted for residential design. The winners were: Laurel Hills Studio and Garage, Dan Huffman Architecture: Haw River Retreat, Bizios Architecture; Mountain (re)Shack; Chad Everhart; Snow Residence, Phil Szostak; Collins House, Kenneth Hobgood.
Johnson Residence, Steven Carter Rice; Bungelow Addition, Susan Cannon; Nethermead Residence, Carlton Architecture; WhiteHaus, Liquid Design, and the Highland View Residence, Carlton Architecture (photo above). Jurors for houses were: Jane Frederick, Beaufort SC; Thomas Savory, Columbia SC; Christopher Rose, SC; and Timothy Hance, Columbia SC.

Architect Louis Cherry is planning a new Modernist house in Oakwood.

Something for the kids, but maybe also for you, too: The Sweet Homes Coloring Book, featuring some of the most famous Modernist houses.

These Modernist houses may be great for adults, but for kids .. not so much! Hat tip to Will Alphin.

Do you know of a new high school (0-3 years) in a rural county in eastern or western NC? NCMH seeks applicant schools for our new 9th and 10th grade architecture education initiative. Reply with suggestions - thanks!

Are you fluent in Italian? Or Finnish? We need volunteers to film a few short videos in those languages. Reply with details - thanks!

Do you have access to those huge floating white globe lights like the ones that used to hover over the NC Museum of Art amphitheater years ago? Reply with details - thanks!

A Modernist mausoleum in Minnesota.

Update: NCMH's #1 endangered house is now on MLS. Designed by John Latimer. See the appraisal, plus a structural engineer’s report, and other documents researched by and/or commissioned by NCMH. The asking price got very real recently, so let's go buy this one, folks!
Got old copies of **1950's, 1960's or 1970's architecture magazines** to donate? We're looking for **House & Home, Architectural Forum, AIA Journal, Arts+Architecture, Progressive Architecture, Architectural Digest, Architecture, Architect, and Architectural Record.** Drop them off during business hours at **AIA North Carolina**, 14 East Peace Street, Raleigh, or for large quantities contact us for free pickup - plus a very nice tax deduction.