Monday, February 13, 2017
Discover the USModernist Archives, incorporating the USM Masters Gallery, the USM Architecture Magazine Library (click here to see what magazines the project needs), and the US Modernist Radio podcast, starting up a second year on March 6 about Modernist Evil Lairs, like John Lautner's Elrod House, above, featured in the Bond film Diamonds are Forever.

Sponsor Information Party, this Wednesday, February 15, 6pm, at 18 Seaboard in Raleigh NC. If you are looking to put your name or company in front of thousands of design-loving people, NCMH is your best return on investment to reach them. Our happy hour, movie, award, education, preservation, and other high-profile, widely-promoted events connect with the public who share your passion for Modernist architecture. Join us for drinks at 18 Seaboard. Free! RSVP with name(s), company, and phone number to Rebekah Laney, rebekah@ncmodernist.org.
Thirst4Architecture, this Thursday, February 16, 6-8pm. Our annual Oyster Roast hosted by Eidolon Designs! 414 Dupont Circle, Raleigh. These exciting, informal happy hours are open to the public. We welcome Modernist homeowners, architects, artists, designers, realtors, engineers, contractors, property investors, building managers, materials and furniture dealers - or anyone with a huge crush on great architecture. 2017 T4A's are sponsored by realtor Lesley McAdams. Free! Details.

You are invited to:

Raise a Glass to George Matsumoto: An Informal Memorial

Monday, March 13, 4-5pm, Players Retreat, 105 Oberlin Road, Raleigh, North Carolina. Hosted by: David Hill, Interim Head of the School of Architecture, NC State College of Design; and George Smart, Executive Director, North Carolina Modernist Houses.
George Matsumoto FAIA (1922-2016) served on the original faculty of the School of Design at North Carolina State University from 1948 to 1961. During his time at NC State, Matsumoto won more than thirty awards and created some of North Carolina’s most well-known and respected Modernist houses. In 2012, NCMH created the Matsumoto Prize in his honor to encourage young architects and prospective clients to continue the Modernist movement in North Carolina. George spent time with his students and fellow faculty in Raleigh’s much-loved Players Retreat - and it is here we raise a glass to his life and legacy. Parking is available along Oberlin or the lot across the street.

The Aluminaire, designed by Albert Frey and A. Lawrence Kocher in 1931, was recently called the “most hated house in New York” by the New York Post. But New York’s loss is Palm Springs’ gain. After getting
disassembled, rejected for rebuild, narrowly missing demolition, and languishing in storage in Ronkonkoma NY for many years, it is now on the road to Palm Springs in time for Modernism Week. The first stop will be the Tramway Gas Station/Visitors Center, also designed by Frey, then it will be on display for the 11 days of Modernism Week. After a brief return to storage, Aluminaire will be reassembled directly across the street from the Palm Springs Art Museum and opened to the public with funds raised by the Aluminaire House Foundation. Follow the truck on Instagram and Twitter. Watch the video of the departure, narrated by Paul Goldberger. As a special bonus, check out the original 1932 MOMA press release!

It's Mies the Movie! Jeff Bridges and Maggie Gyllenhaal will star in a new movie about the Mies Van Der Rohe, Edith Farnsworth, and the Farnsworth House. Hat tip to Alva Horton.

Your unused Hilton points can support NCMH's work.
From Curbed: Congratulations to Denise Scott Brown as this year’s winner of the Jane Drew Prize for Women in Architecture, jointly bestowed by The Architect’s Journal and The Architectural Review. Scott Brown’s recognition comes four years after a firestorm about her lack of recognition from the Pritzker Prize committee, who awarded her husband, architect Robert Venturi, the prestigious prize in 1991 without acknowledging her contributions to the couple’s joint practice.

From Curbed: 19 beautiful US Libraries, like this one.
We hear that, somewhere in Raleigh, there's an Arthur McKimmon house about to be torn down. If you know any specifics, please contact us.

Want a free house and farm? Architect Norma Burns might give you one,
if you write a good essay. Hat tip to Kim Weiss.

Hey mere mortals! Harvard is offering an online basic architecture course - free! Another hat tip to Virginia Faust.

There's a new Netflix documentary on eight exciting architects around the world, including man-of-the-moment, Denmark's Bjarke Ingels. Hat tip to Carol Miller.

Many thanks to Sarah Sonke and Moho Realty for sponsoring the Architecture Movie Series this season! Keep tabs on the Movie page for next year's exciting schedule.
**The NCMH Modern Coast Tour**, Saturday-Sunday April 22-23, Wilmington and Wrightsville Beach NC. Enjoy a great springtime weekend touring some amazing new and mid-century Modernist houses at the beautiful NC coast, without the hassle of driving! Includes the delightful company of fellow Modernist architecture fans, plus all your meals, hotel, snacks, drinks, and free wifi in our luxury restroom-equipped, air-conditioned bus. Featuring Modernist houses designed by **Scott Ogden**, **Kevin Pfirman**, **Oxenfeld/Newkirk**, **Michael Moorefield**, **John Parker**, **Ballard McKim and Sawyer**, and **Michael Ross Kersting**. [Details and tickets.]

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