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New on US Modernist Radio: Kate Wagner's riotously popular

Connect with Mr. Modernism's Instagram feed and get daily doses of incredible Modernist houses from NCMH's Executive Director George Smart.
blog McMansionhell.com tears into the impractically large, ridiculously constructed, and often hilariously furnished monuments to wealth misspent. As a writer for Curbed and other design publications, she has appeared on 99% Invisible and has her own TEDx talk. Like us, she’s a fan of Modernist evil lairs, writing on buildings used in film to depict the evil corporation archetype in Robocop, Blade Runner, and The Matrix. She’s got a huge following and a new book in the works! US Modernist Radio is sponsored by Sarah Sonke of ModHomes Realty. Listen on iTunes.

NCMH Piedmont Modernist Tour, Winston-Salem / Lewisville / Greensboro NC, Saturday, June 10, 10-3pm

Self Drive Version: $20/person with a special deal for families. Plenty of tickets left. Prices go up Thursday, June 1. You can also buy tickets onsite the day of the tour at Holland Street. Details.

Bus Version: includes transport, wifi, lunch! 4 tickets have just become available. Includes 2 houses not on the self-drive version. Although the details say SOLD OUT, you can
Sponsor Information Party (SIP) - Tomorrow, Wednesday, May 31, 5pm. Whiskey Kitchen, 201 West Martin Street, Raleigh. Learn about NCMH’s lineup of sponsorship opportunities for 2017 and 2018. If your business wants to support and connect with this area’s huge Modernist community of fans, admirers, architects, designers, buyers, sellers, real estate agents, and art lovers, join us for a drink on their patio. RSVP directly to Rebekah Laney, 865-414-5800 or rebekah@ncmodernist.org, before 4pm today.
Residential Design Magazine recently featured Will Alphin and re.design.build.

The George Matsumoto Prize

The deadline for submitting to the 2017 Matsumoto Prize is this Wednesday, May 31, 5pm EST.

From DOCOMOMO-NY: Frank Lloyd Wright’s 150th birthday is June 8, and museums around the US are setting up special exhibitions. At New York’s Museum of Modern Art June 12 to October 1, the show “Frank Lloyd Wright at 150: Unpacking the Archive”; at the Guggenheim Museum in New York, there is a special birthday party on June 8; and in Buffalo NY, a series of special events will be held at the Darwin Martin House and Graycliff Estate.

DOCOMOMO-US’s Saved Threatened Lost list.
The New York State Pavilion, of 1964 World's Fair fame (plus Men in Black, of course), has been derelict for decades. Now it's going to get some long overdue fixup.

New to the NC Architects/Designers Archive: Alicia Hylton-Daniel.

The Asheville Satellite Tour of the MA Atlanta Design
**Festival** happens on June 3-4, featuring Windswept - SPARC Design; The Privé at Ciel (shown above) by **Jason Weil**; Mayflower - Carlton Edwards Architects; Walnut Cove - Samsel Architects; and Shelburne Woods - **Rusufova Markulis Architects**. **Tickets available here.**

**Thirst4Architecture**, Thursday, June 15, 6-8pm, **Ellen Cassilly Architects** hosts their newest completed building at GRUB, 1200 West Chapel Hill Road, Durham. This exciting, informal happy hour is free and 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.**

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Want to join our fun crew of Modernist fans - with great benefits? Sign up for the NCMH Mod Squad!
Just 11 seats left: The Frank Lloyd Wright/Fallingwater Tour, Thursday-Friday, September 14-15. Have you always wanted to see Fallingwater, Frank Lloyd Wright's masterpiece? It's the most famous Modernist house in America! Do the Wright thing and join NCMH on our annual trip this fall. Just a few miles away, there's another remarkable Wright house, Kentuck Knob, and a world-class outdoor sculpture garden? Join NCMH and our merry band of architectural adventurers as we make the pilgrimage to Fallingwater. This trip is a once-in-a-lifetime experience! Details.
New book available June 13: **Warehouse Home: Industrial Inspiration for 21st Century Living**, by Sophie Bush. As space for land development in cities shrinks and city dwellers tire of cookie-cutter apartment towers, a love for historical buildings has returned. The initial interest in “lofts” began in SoHo, New York, in the 1970s, and the love of warehouse buildings—often in attractive waterside locations—has since become a global phenomenon. Drawing on her personal experience living in a Grade II listed mill, Sophie Bush has amassed a wealth of knowledge and understanding about which ingredients make an industrial building perfect for contemporary living. **Warehouse Home** is the ultimate resource for everything from how best to preserve and complement original architectural features to style ideas for adapting vintage and reclaimed pieces for modern décor. An extensive reference section provides ideas on where to source everything from furniture to finishes.
In late March, the iconic campus lake at Meredith College, Raleigh, designed by Dick Bell FASLA, drained due to the erosion of pipes and plumbing. Meredith's beloved lake at the McIver Amphitheater is now a large, ugly, muddy hole. It will take $500,000 to implement repairs. Meredith has a matching gift lined up for the first half, and you can help raise the
other $250,000. This is one of Raleigh's most beautiful venues, the site of many wonderful NC Symphony and WRAL concerts, joyous Meredith graduations, and many other events over the last 50 years! Details.

Volunteers Needed in LA: From the comfort of your laptop, car, or both, be a volunteer USModernist field research agent in Los Angeles. Research classic MCModerist houses online and/or in your car to solve the missing pieces of USModernist, the largest open digital archive for Modernist houses in the world. We're looking to complete our archives on Los Angeles-based architects Gregory Ain, Craig Ellwood, Raphael Soriano, Richard Neutra, John Lautner, Quincy Jones, and more all found here. Field research agents volunteer about two hours a week, or about four hours every other week. This can be as simple as taking an afternoon to drive around, or a few hours at night to surf the web. Warning: hunting for and researching Modernist houses is seriously addictive, if you're really into architecture. You'll work with NCMH's Chief of Research, Catherine Cramer. Do you have the passion, curiousity, and available time? Send an email with your name, phone number, address, and which architects you're most interested in. Thanks!
NCMH's Executive Director George Smart speaks on Mayberry Modernism, North Carolina's legacy of amazing Modernist houses, at three North Carolina locations this summer. Free, just show up!

West Regional Library (Cary) Monday July 10th 7-815 PM
Northeast Regional Library (Raleigh) Thursday July 20th 7-815 PM
Eva Perry Regional Library (Apex) Monday, July 24th 7-815 PM

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