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The George Matsumoto Prize

8 Samuel Ashe, Asheville, designed by Russ Nicholson
Article by Mike Welton

Voting closes TODAY at 5pm - so vote now for the 2018 George Matsumoto Prize People's Choice for new North Carolina Modernist houses. This year's houses from across the state, Asheville to Wilmington, will amaze and inspire you! See them all here. And join us for the Awards on July 26, see below.

New: Saturday, October 27. The BBQ Train! It's NCMH's second foodie outing - this time to the biggest BBQ festival in North Carolina! The Barbecue Festival is recognized as one of the Top Ten Food Festivals in America by Travel & Leisure
Magazine, has been declared a Library of Congress Local Legacy Event, and won more than fifty awards including mention as One of Ten Great Places to Celebrate Food by USA Today.

Are we going by bus? Nooooooo. All aboard! Join the NCMH crew as we travel to Lexington on our own **private air-conditioned, wifi-equipped, restroom-equipped Amtrak car**! Wait a minute - Amtrak doesn’t stop in Lexington! One day a year it does, and this is the day. Details and tickets.

Only 2 seats left! **Saturday, August 18**: You’ve watched **Chef Vivian Howard** on the PBS show A Chef’s Life. You’ve heard about her world-famous restaurant, the Chef and the Farmer, a center point for a revitalized downtown Kinston NC with interesting galleries, stores, and pubs to visit. Join the NCMH crew as we travel to Kinston on our air-conditioned, wifi-equipped luxury bus! You’ll experience great food, spirits, wine, beer, a poolside party at a restored 1950’s Modernist motel, and the fun company of fellow Modernist travelers interested in art, architecture, and a wonderful dinner at Chef and the Farmer. Drop the kids with the sitter and get out for date night! Details and tickets.
Only 2 seats left! November 1-5: NCMH's Phoenix Tour featuring Taliesin West and Paolo Soleri's Arcosanti. If you're into Modernist architecture, you don't want to miss our trip to Phoenix where Frank Lloyd Wright made his western headquarters at Taliesin. Enjoy four nights and five days of sunny mid-century architecture, from houses to art to furnishings to lifestyles to food to more houses! Includes everything: flights, hotel, tours, transportation, and most meals. Tickets and details.

Modapalooza, NCMH's fall tour of new and renovated Modernist houses is sold out. Next one: Saturday, April 13, 2019. Mod Squad members get priority for tickets when they become available in January.

Jeremy Blum has an impressive collection (a multi-story house full) of mid-century stuff, cereal boxes and toys and popcorn poppers and everything imaginable from the post WWII Atomic Era. He’s loaded photos into an equally impressive website. Be sure to check out Gallery 1, Architecture.

How did playfulness influence design after WWII? Hat tip to Catherine Cramer.

Mapping the Googie restaurants of LA. Hat tip to Virginia Faust.

Tom Kundig's firm, currently working on renovating Seattle’s Space Needle, is slated to design the Bob Dylan Museum in Tulsa OK.
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Lindal offers a **new series of log homes** based on **Frank Lloyd Wright** designs.  Hat tip to **Virginia Faust**.

Executive Director **George Smart** featured in **Sarasota Magazine**.  Hat tip to **Daniel Perrin**.

Newark Airport's Modernist terminals are, at the moment, recommended to be demolished.  Hmmm, why do I not feel a wave of sadness?  Maybe it's because I've flown through Newark?  What do you think; should they be saved?  Hat tip to **Meredith Bzdak**.

**Matt Griffith** and **Erin Sterling Lewis** featured in **DEWELL**.
Is your design-oriented business (art, architecture, construction, furniture, fixtures) looking for customers who get Modernism? Up to 200 people each love coming to our monthly design parties. The next one could be at your place - or at a client location showing off your work. T4A events are generally the third Thursday of each month. Dates are available starting in December. Email Rebekah Laney, rebekah@ncmodernist.org. Details.

for their newest house in Raleigh. Photo by Keith Isaacs. Hat tip to Virginia Faust.


The National Trust list of Most Endangered Sites includes this Modernist house in Salt Flat TX.

NC Deals of the week:

- Beautifully preserved mid-century 335 Golf Course Road in Raleigh, likely designed by Lewis Polier, is selling in the 300’s. As of Saturday, there was a bidding war. It’s probably going to be under contract by now.
- 925 Runnymede Rd in Raleigh is one of Lee Porter Butler’s designs from 1966. It’s scheduled for a bank foreclosure auction at Noon on July 13th at the Wake County Courthouse.
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Thursday, August 16, 6-8pm. Join architects Doug Pierson and Youn Choi of POD Architecture and Design, 201A East Main Street, Carrboro. Their office is inside the old Carrboro train station! Thirst4Architecture is our free monthly party for anyone with a huge crush on Modernist architecture - sponsored throughout 2018 by Modernist realtor Angela Roehl. Details.

Thursday, September 20, 6-8pm. Join Leo Gaev and his
crew in Carrboro for our first gathering of the fall. Thirst4Architecture is our free monthly party for anyone with a huge crush on Modernist architecture - sponsored throughout 2018 by Modernist realtor Angela Roehl. Details.

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