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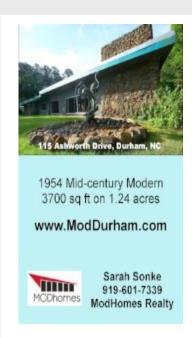


Southeastern North Carolina flood devastation will take months to fix. Please give generously to the <u>NC</u> <u>Disaster Relief Fund</u> or any of the many organizations rallying to help thousands of people in trouble from the hurricane's wrath. A year later, <u>here's what's happening</u> in Puerto Rico.



<u>Reflections on the passing</u> of architect <u>Robert Venturi</u>. Hat tip to **Virginia Faust**.

We just learned about this <u>2008 video</u> on <u>Paul</u> <u>Rudolph</u> and his work in New Haven CT. Hat tip to **Seth Weine**.









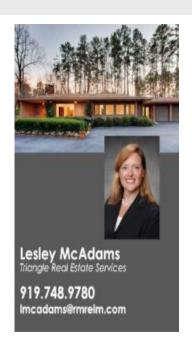


Anni Albers and the <u>forgotten women of the Bauhaus</u>. Hat tip to **Eleanor Stell**. In a related story, **Max Eternity** writes on the <u>women of Black Mountain</u>, a successor organization from the Bauhaus with some of the same faculty.



Recently **Brad Pitt's** Make It Right Foundation was <u>hit</u> with a lawsuit from the New Orleans homeowners. Now Pitt and the Foundation are <u>suing the architect</u>, John C. Williams. The Foundation, which doesn't talk to the press, built 106 eye-catching units some of which developed leaks, mold, and other significant issues. <u>Video</u>.

The World Monuments Fund kicks of a <u>new Instagram</u> campaign to save modern buildings around the world. Hat tip to **Virginia Faust**.





Is your business (food, art, architecture, construction, furniture, fixtures) looking for customers who love good design? Up to 200 people attend our monthly design parties. The next one could be at your office or studio - or at a client location showing off your work. Dates available starting in December. Email Rebekah Laney, rebekah@ncmodernist.org.



In one of the longest preservation battles in recent history, the deteriorating <u>Richard Neutra</u> Connell House in Pebble Beach (with one of the best ocean views in California), is up for public comment on the recent <u>Environmental Review</u>. The owner **Massy Mehdipour** has since 2010 wanted to demolish the house and build another Modernist home by Mexican architect **Ricardo Legorreta** that is three times larger. Preservationists oppose the demolition and want to compel Medhipour to repair and restore the original design.

Both sides have dug in. Advantage Preservation: this is a magnificent Neutra house worth saving, and there are more time-consuming and costly delays which can be forced on Mehdipour through additional procedural reviews. Advantage Mehdipour: eventually the house will be beyond reasonable repair, making preservation irrelevant, and she can proceed with construction. Plus so far, no one has cited any laws which can make an owner ultimately keep a house against their will.

To share your opinion, email **Cheryl Ku**, Monterey County Planning, <u>kuc@co.monterey.ca.us</u>. Or go old school and write a letter to **Cheryl Ku**, Monterey



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Sunday, September 30: Frank Harmon, author of *Native Places: Drawing as a Way to See*, will open a show of his sketches, give a talk and sign books at FOUNDATION Bar in downtown Raleigh on beginning at 230pm.





The 'Archtober' firm crawl is a fun, family-friendly event scattered across the Triangle during Friday art walks in October:

- Explore the inner workings of architectural firms
- Bring kids along for a fun, educational experience
- Enter to win a raffle prize by visiting multiple firms

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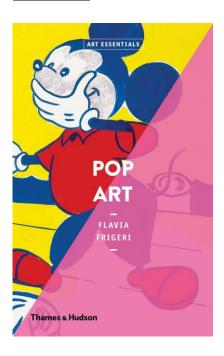




Last call - only two places left! **November 1-5:**Modern Phoenix tour featuring **Frank Lloyd Wright's**Taliesin West and **Paolo Soleri's** Arcosanti. Deadline to register - today at 5pm. <u>Tickets and details</u>.

April 30-May 10: Modernist Denmark, Norway, and Sweden. Truly a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to see some of the world's best architecture and the stunning natural beauty of Denmark, Sweden, and Norway - with virtually everything included! 11 days and 10 nights of the heart-pounding Modernist architecture you love. Details and tickets.

February 19-24: USModernist goes to Modernism Week in Palm Springs CA. Just 7 places left. <u>Tickets</u> and details.



New Book out September 25: **Pop Art** by **Flavia Frigeri**. With its bold colors, flashy imagery and ironic spirit, Flavia Frigeri introduces us to a movement that focuses on everyday objects, from its beginnings in the post-war consumerism of America and Britain to its fascinating rise on a global scale in the 1960s. The work of well-known artists, such as Andy Warhol, Roy

Lichtenstein, Richard Hamilton and Peter Blake, is set in dialogue with that of Japanese Ushio Shinohara, Venezuelan Marisol and Argentinian Marta Minujín, among others.





The ModHomes Architecture Movie Series

Opening Night Tuesday, October 2: Face of a Nation: What Happened to the World's Fair?



Daughter of immigrants, a first generation architect

Mina Chow struggles to keep her dream alive as she journeys to discover why America abandoned World's Fairs, global spectacles that featured amazing architecture and shared American with the world. After the film, we will have Q&A with Mina via Facetime!

Tonight is the first of five great new architecture and design films you generally can't get from Amazon Prime or YouTube or Netflix. The Alamo Drafthouse has a full bar, over 50 draft beers, a full restaurant menu, service at your movie seat or in their huge lobby to hang out before or after the show. Mod Squad Terrazzo Level members get in free until capacity is reached, so get there early - there are only 100 seats! Sponsored by Sarah Sonke of ModHomes Realty, NC State University Libraries, and in situ studio. Details, schedule, film lineup, and directions.





Saturday, October 6, 7-10pm. You are invited to ModStruck, North Carolina Modernist Houses yearly party bringing together our wonderful supporters, sponsors, and guests in one amazing Modernist house. This year, we're at the fantastic Thompson House, designed by architect David Davenport, with your hosts Jacob and Jennifer Morgan. Dress: To the 9's! Valet Parking! Plus: an invitation during the evening to our the adjacent Cannon House, designed by Alan Mascord, hosted by Linda Carnes and Victor Smith.

Jazz by **Peter Lamb and the Wolves**! Spirits by <u>Great Wagon Road</u>, a distillery in Charlotte showcasing their Salamander Vodka! <u>Details and tickets</u>. **Deadline to register: 5pm Monday, October 1.**





Sarasota Modernism: With training in historic Preservation, Architecture, and Urban Planning, Lorrie Muldowney is President of Creative Preservation and has lived in Sarasota County for the past 47 years. She formerly served as the Sarasota County historical resources specialist and manager of the Sarasota County History Center. Lorrie is part of the wildly popular Architectural Trolley Tours offered by the Center for Architecture Sarasota with Harold Bubil, the former Sarasota Herald-Tribune real estate editor who has written about Modernist architecture since before it was cool. Retired from the paper after 43 years, he continues to write architecture feature stories and is working on a new book, Florida Buildings I Love. USModernist Radio is sponsored by Angela

Roehl, your special real estate agent for Modernist houses. <u>Listen via iTunes</u>. <u>Listen on Android devices and PC's</u>. <u>Listen to past episodes</u>.





Thursday, October 18, 6-8pm, join Robby and Craig and the crew of Raleigh Architecture at their new offices, 716 South Saunders Street, Raleigh. Thirst 4 Architecture is our **free monthly party** for anyone with a huge crush on Modernist architecture - sponsored throughout 2018 by Modernist realtor <u>Angela Roehl</u>. <u>Details</u>.



<u>Join the NCMH volunteer team</u> and become part of the movement documenting, preserving, and promoting

residential Modernist design in North Carolina!



Vacancy, not development, is the enemy of mid-century Modernist houses. Preserve and protect the architecture you love by buying or renting before the bulldozers come a few years from now. Visit our <u>exclusive</u> statewide list!



Learn about the work of USModernist through our new video - shot in Palm Springs last February during Modernism Week - with special guests Alan Hess and Mark Davis.

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