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TOP STORIES



For the first time in 15 years, a [Frank Lloyd Wright](#) house is in active danger of demolition. The 1913 Sherman Booth House, located at 239 Franklin in the Village of Glencoe, Illinois, was bought by 239 Franklin LLC earlier this month. The new owner has applied for a demolition permit. As of last Friday, the Village of Glencoe said the application was "incomplete" and issued the media redacted copies of the form. The Village of Glencoe gave the house honorary historical status in 1996, however that status has little legal protective standing. All it does is require the owner to wait 180 days once the demolition permit is fully completed. You can track that demolition status [here](#). The Frank Lloyd Wright Conservancy is talking with the new owner about options to save or move the house. Coverage in [DWELL](#). Coverage in the [Chicago Tribune](#).

PROJECT
BAUHOW



For the 2018-2019 school year, NCModernist's [Project Bauhow](#) sponsored field trips for **319 students** from across North Carolina to visit NC State University's College of Design. The schools include North Wake College and Career Academy, Eastern Alamance High School, East Millbrook Magnet Middle School, Zebulon GT Magnet Middle School, Dixon Middle School, Southeast Raleigh High School, West Montgomery High School, Greene Central High School, North/Phillips Micro School of Innovation, A.L. Brown High School, Zebulon Middle School, and Githens Middle School.

Plus, Project Bauhow provided summer scholarships to NC State's Design Camp and UNC Charlotte's Design Academy.

High school drafting students are the future of architecture; yet in many rural North Carolina counties, there are few resources for drafting students or their teachers. There is a marked disparity between the eight wealthiest counties in North Carolina (Wake, Durham, Orange, Forsyth, Buncombe, Guilford, Mecklenburg, and New Hanover) and the remaining 92.

Sponsors and donors make the magic for supporting these students. Your contribution makes a profound difference in the next generation of architects. For more information, contact [Project Bauhow](#) Director Rebekah Laney at rebekah@ncmodernist.org.

TOURS + SPECIAL EVENTS



Registration closes Friday, May 31! Just 8 seats left. The Frank Lloyd Wright / Auldbrass Tour, Saturday-Sunday, November 2-3: Most people don't realize that South Carolina has a large complex of buildings designed by **Wright** called Auldbrass. The complex is only open **two days a year** - and not every year. Travel with us for a delightful weekend touring this and other exceptional Modernist architecture in SC! [Details and tickets.](#)



New Tour: Saturday June 15, 10am-1pm. It's called the House on Wildcat Creek. Architect [Dustin Ehrlich](#) designed this Modernist house in Chapel Hill for his parents, which is now for sale. [Details and advance discount tickets.](#) \$15 at the door day of event. All proceeds benefit NCModernist's documentation, preservation, and promotion programs.

SPECIAL: Buy a ticket to Wildcat Creek, get in free to the Larson house, below!



Only 10 seats left! Saturday, July 20, 3pm to 930pm, Kinston Arts District / Chef and the Farmer Dinner, Kinston NC. You've watched Chef **Vivian Howard** and her husband **Ben Knight** on the PBS show *A Chef's Life*. You've heard about their world-famous restaurant, the Chef and the Farmer, a center point for a revitalized downtown Kinston with interesting galleries, stores, and pubs to visit. Join the NCModernist crew as we travel to Kinston on our air-conditioned, wifi-equipped luxury bus! You'll experience great food and the fun company of fellow Modernist travelers interested in art, architecture, and a wonderful multi-course dinner with wine at the Chef and the Farmer. [Details and tickets.](#)

SUMMER DOUBLE HEADER: ONE DAY, TWO TOURS!



New Tour: Saturday June 22, 10am-1pm. One of our favorite houses (and the scene of one of NCModernist's fantastic [Mod Squad](#) parties), it's the 1973 Arthur and Florence Larson Residence, [1 Learned Place](#), Durham.

Architect [Jon Condoret](#) said it was his favorite project of all time! Originally 4825 sf. Renovation by architect **Fu-Tung Cheng**, built by Landmark Renovation. 2008 landscape entry design by **Judy Harmon**. Expansion to 6040 sf and master bedroom renovations in 2011, designed by owners in consultation with [Bill Waddell](#) and [Vinny Petrarca](#) and built by Krichco. And there's an indoor pool.

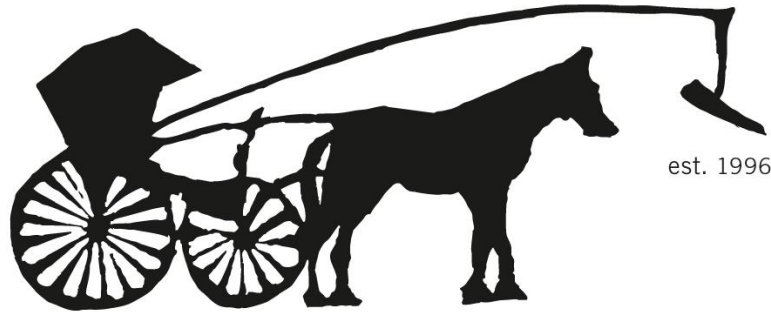
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New Tour: Saturday June 22, 10am-4pm. The Pleiades Modernist Houses, 800 Block of Mangum Street, Durham. Have a starry, starry day touring the Pleiades, a new project by one of Raleigh's hottest Modernist design firms, RACo, led by **Robby Johnston** and **Craig Kerins**. There are eight cool houses, similar on the outside, different on the inside, with a mini park right in the development's backyard. You'll get the cook's tour of four of them with a guide from RACo taking small groups every 45 minutes!

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THIRST4ARCHITECTURE EVENTS



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Thirst4Architecture, Thursday, June 20, 6-8pm, [Horse & Buggy Press and Friends](#), 1116 Broad Street, Suite 101, Durham. Join Horse & Buggy Press designer, letterpress printer, and book publisher Dave Wofford—and special guest artists [Ben Galata](#), [Abie Harris](#), Jack Barnes, [Holden Richards](#), [Rachel Goodwin](#), [Claire Ashby](#), [Preston Montague](#), [Hana Lee](#), and [Victor Gordon](#)—for an informal reception at the [studio/gallery](#) which is housed in a [mid century modernist gem](#) on Broad Street In addition to beautiful work for sale in the gallery, the interior space features many aesthetically inspired custom touches created in its conversion to a design studio and storefront gallery. Adult beverages will be on hand and there are three restaurants nearby to grab dinner and continue conversations after the event. Free!



Thirst4Architecture,
Thursday, July 25, 6-8pm,
hosted by McConnell
Studios, 324 Dupont Circle,
Raleigh. Featuring the 2019
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Free, admission, drinks, and food! Thirst4Architecture events welcome *anyone* with a huge crush on great architecture. The 2019 [Thirst4Architecture Series](#) is sponsored by Modernist Realtor [Angela Roehl](#).

THIS WEEK ON USMODERNIST RADIO



Palm Springs has a huge architecture event called Modernism Week every February. It's a fascinating array of architecture, lectures, parties, tours, exhibits, and the occasional plastic surgery gone awry. Host **George Smart** was there earlier this year talking with nearly all the speakers, authors, and special guests who make the week (actually 11 days) a blast!

Modernism Week/Books: You remember books, right? Those things we had in our hands to read before Kindle? George welcomes author **Adele Cygelman**, whose newest book is Arthur Elrod: Desert Modern Design. Elrod was one of the country's most famous interior designers and his [John Lautner](#)-designed Palm Springs house became a celebrity (and still is) from an appearance in the James Bond movie *Diamonds are Forever*. Later on, we move down the road to Rancho Mirage, an oasis of Modernism that's the subject of a new book, *Mod Mirage*, by **Melissa Riche** with photography by **Jim Riche**. Rancho Mirage had the very first developments on golf courses—a model that soon adopted around the world. Famous residents included old Hollywood's **Frank Sinatra**, **Bing Crosby**, **Lucille Ball** and **Desi Arnaz**, **Doris Day**, and **Bob Hope**.

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NEWS

DID YOU KNOW



London [gets its version of the NY High Line](#) - and it's pretty damn impressive. Happy 88th birthday to **Hugh Kaptur**, the bard of Palm Springs modern. **Mike Welton** on [Lecorbusier's last design](#). IKEA offers a new [modern-furniture-shopping snack](#). Corporate logos [re-imagined in Bauhaus style](#). Hat tips to **Daniel Perrin** and **Virginia Faust**.

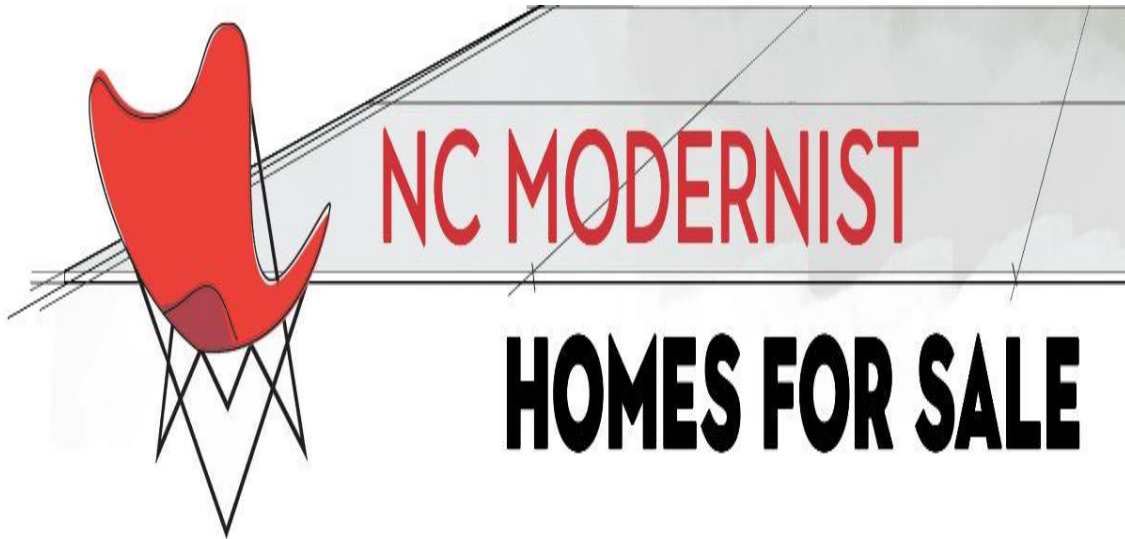


USModernist Radio's host **George Smart** sat on the other side of the mike recently, appearing on the podcast Convo By Design with Josh Cooperman. Hear George tell the story about how USModernist Radio got started. [Access the podcast via iTunes](#). [See video highlights!](#)



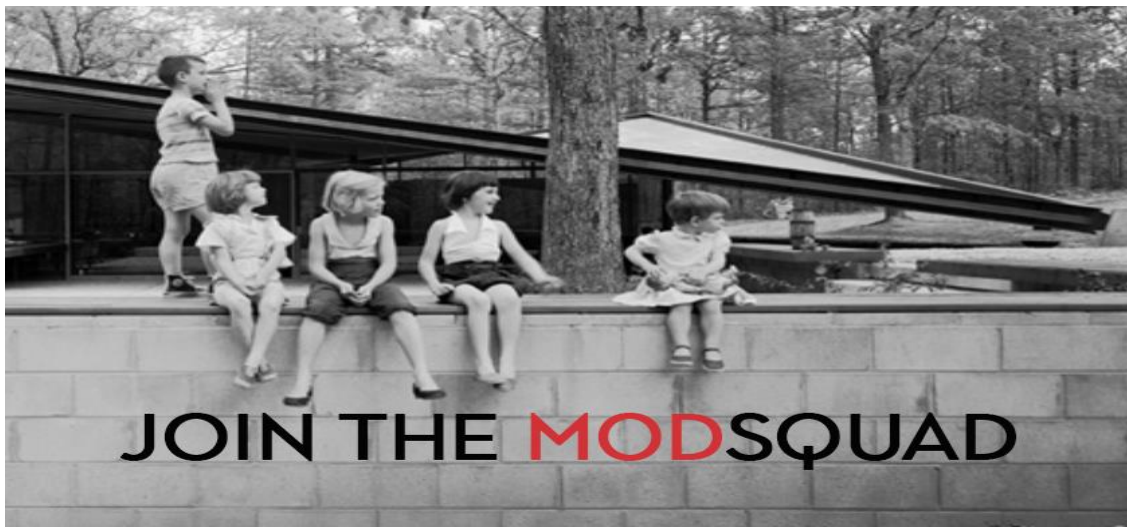
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