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The George Matsumoto Prize

The 2019 Matsumoto Prize competition recognizes excellence in new North Carolina Modernist houses. Last week, six prizes were awarded in two categories; *Jury Awards*, chosen by a jury of nationally celebrated architects and designers (**Jane Frederick, Tom Pfifer, Michelle Addington, Kristen Ring Murray, Harry Wolf, and Kelly Lynch**) and *People's Choice Awards*, compiled through online public voting.

<u>Jury Awards:</u> First place - <u>Rusafova Markulis Architects</u>, for the Sapphire Cabin in Sapphire, NC; Second place - <u>Tina Govan Architect Inc</u>. with <u>Jason Hart</u> of ThoughtCraft Architects, for the Trott Residence in Durham, NC; Third place – <u>Scott Huebner</u>, Brickstack Architects, for the Black Mountain Residence in Black Mountain, NC.

<u>People's Choice Awards:</u> First Place - <u>Rusafova Markulis Architects</u>, for the Sapphire Cabin in Sapphire, NC; Second Place – <u>Adam Sebastian</u>, STITCH Design Shop, for the Wainscott Residence in Greensboro, NC; Third Place -<u>Tina Govan Architect Inc</u>. with <u>Jason Hart</u> of ThoughtCraft Architects, for the Trott Residence in Durham, NC.



Only 4 seats left! February 19-24, 2020: Join USModernist in Palm Springs For Modernism Week! If you're into mid-century Modernist design, join us for our wildly popular trip. There's no other place in America with as many mid-century Modernist houses per square mile! Almost everything is included: flight; private swanky retro hotel; delicious meals; exclusive tours; our own private bar; amazing parties in jawdropping houses; even your own Uber! <u>Details</u> and tickets.





USModernist Global 5: London / Brussels / Amsterdam Architecture Tour, May 5-14, 2020. Are you ready for some heart-pounding Modernist architecture in England, Belgium, and the Netherlands. You just won't believe where we're going and what you're going to see. You will discover incredible architecture in three countries. This is truly a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to see some of the world's best architecture - with virtually everything included! Only 23 places available. Details and tickets.





The World's Fair did not stop in 1964 in New York. In fact, they've been going on ever since, all around the world. The World's Fair in Shanghai, China, was the *most attended event in human history*. And in November 2020, USModernist is taking 30 people to the World's Fair in **Dubai and Abu Dhabi**. Not only will you experience the incredible modern architecture of these countries, but hey - it's a freakin' World's Fair! How often does that come along?

Wednesday, August 14, 7pm. Attend a free dinner and tour overview at Executive Director George Smart's house, 5409 Pelham Road, Durham, where he will share the itinerary and details of this truly once in a lifetime experience. Those who attend will get first access to register. RSVP to george@usmodernist.org with your name(s), email(s), and phone number(s).



Free admission, music, drinks, and food! Thirst4Architecture events welcome *anyone* with a huge crush on great architecture. The 2019 <u>Thirst4Architecture Series</u> is sponsored by Modernist Realtor <u>Angela Roehl</u>.

Thirst4Architecture, Thursday, August 15, 6-8pm, 63005 Ballentine, inside Governors Club in Chapel Hill. Join <u>BOLD Construction</u>, a Chapel Hill Luxury custom home builder, at the home

of **Chris & Jana Erhenfeld**, a recently completed Modernist home built by BOLD. What's more, BOLD will showcase several of recent Modern builds plus preview of their upcoming Modernist neighborhood! Snacks and light appetizers provided by Domicile Realty and adult beverages by REALTOR and Interior Designer **Nicole Baxter**.



New on USModernist Radio: Today we welcome back our pal **Justin Shubow**, President of the National Civic Art Society, a non-profit dedicated to promoting the classical tradition in public art and architecture. President Trump appointed him in 2018 to the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts, a federal agency which oversees the design and construction of government buildings and memorials in Washington DC. Shubow is the author of The Gehry Towers over Eisenhower, a 150-page critique of the Eisenhower Memorial, a battle he sort of won, sort of lost against architect **Frank Gehry**. With a background in philosophy and law, he has taught at Michigan and Yale and speaks on architecture at places like the US State Department, Baylor University, Colorado College, Hamilton College, and the University of Virginia.

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New Books:

Coming out September 3: <u>Resident Dog: Incredible Homes and the Dogs That Live There</u>, by **Nicole England.**

Coming out September 10: <u>Shared Living: Interior Design for Rented and Shared Spaces</u>, by **Emily Hutchinson.**



Curbed's <u>Ultimate Guide to Googie</u> architecture. Note that's Googie, not Google.

New to the USModernist Library: <u>70 years of AIA Virginia's</u> Virginia Record and INFORM.

USModernist <u>has a new online store</u> - with all the thoroughly ridiculous coffee cups, logowear, and mousepads you could possibly want! Good news is, all proceeds benefit our ongoing documentation, preservation, and promotion work. You could do worse.



From Preservation NC: Congratulations to **Charlie Miller**, buyer of the not-so-far-from-demolition Cohen-Fumero House in Charlotte, designed by <u>Murray Whisnant</u>. The **Herb Cohen / Jose Fumero** house quickly became and remained throughout their ownership a center of the creative and social life of the artistic community in Charlotte. Charlie has a deep love of Mid-Century architecture, including developing new Modernist houses he designed with <u>Rachel</u> <u>Taylor</u>. THANK YOU CHARLIE!



Denver Modernism Week

Coming up August 16-25. Details.



Hat tips to Daniel Perrin and Virginia Faust.



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