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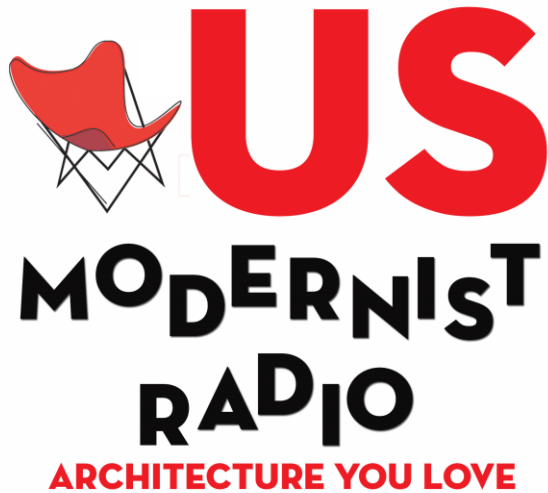



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US NEWS



New on USModernist Radio - Serial Modernist Lord Peter Palumbo is a developer, art collector, car collector, wine collector, architecture collector, and Conservative life peer based in the UK. He was educated at Eton and Worcester College, Oxford, a star athlete who played polo with Prince Charles. He first met [Mies van der Rohe](#) in the 1960's and spent much of the next 30 years trying to get one of his buildings built. In 1972, he purchased the Farnsworth House by Mies van der Rohe in Plano IL and in 1986 he bought **Frank Lloyd Wright's** Kentuck Knob near Fallingwater in Mill Run PA.

USModernist Radio is sponsored by [Angela Roehl](#), your special real estate agent for Modernist houses. [Listen via iTunes.](#) [Listen on Android devices and PC's.](#) [View past and future show descriptions.](#) DWELL recently [named USModernist Radio](#) the #2 architecture and design podcast!







NEW: USModernist-Curated Architecture Tours: In 2016, USModernist created wildly popular specialty European tours - exclusive to Modernist architecture - but they were only offered once a year. Now, through an alliance with Firebird, one of Europe's largest specialty travel agencies, you can experience unique USModernist-curated European Modernist architecture itineraries all year long! You will see - and visit - incredible architecture, art, and designer furnishings - truly thrilling opportunities to see the Modernist architecture you love. [Details.](#)

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The US Air Force Academy Chapel is the most-visited building in Colorado. It was supposed to have some sort of gutter system designed by the architects Skidmore Owings Merrill, but USAF value-engineered it with caulk, so it's been leaking for years. Part of the fix involves building a huge shed over the 99-foot spires and taking it all apart down to the skeleton. That's going to take about four years.



What do you do with a modern [concrete building built by a concrete company to showcase concrete products](#)? You tear it down, of course! There's a movement to save this one, located in Silver Spring MD.



We're trying to identify the woman in the middle of this photo, 5th from the left, taken at Henry Kamphoefner's house by Hungarian photographer André Kertész. From left to right: NCSU Faculty Cecil Elliott, Dean Joseph Hudnut of the Harvard School of Architecture, NCSU Faculty Siasia Nowicki, House & Garden Architectural Editor Katherine Morrow Ford, our mystery woman, NCSU Dean of Architecture Henry Kamphoefner, NCSU Faculty Margaret Fitzgibbon, New York architect Abraham (Abe) Geller, and NCSU Faculty [Jim Fitzgibbon](#). \$25 gift card to the first person who can provide a verifiable name!

The Society of Architectural Historians just released a [new online database of buildings](#) and it's pretty sweet.

Hat tips to **Daniel Perrin**, **Ron Gallagher**, **Leilani Carter**, and **Virginia Faust**.



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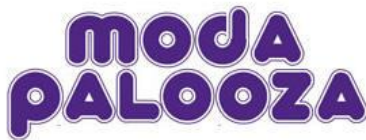


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This Saturday, October 26. [Details and tickets.](#)



Thursday, November 21, 6-8pm. Thirst4Architecture (T4A) at the Ballroom and Work Hall at the East Street Building, and a party at the Transfer Company Food Hall next door at 500 East Davie Street, Raleigh! Thirst4Architecture (T4A) parties are free, exciting, informal events welcoming anyone with a huge crush on great architecture. T4A events focus on building relationships, sharing passion about Modernist design, creating strategic alliances, and connecting people. There are no presentations -- just come join the fun and make new design friends! The 2019 [Thirst4Architecture Series](#) is sponsored by Modernist Realtor [Angela Roehl](#).



The next [Modapalooza tour](#) is Saturday, April 18, 2020. [Mod Squad](#) members get first access to tickets to this tour, which always sells out. Tickets will be available for the general public in December.



On October 7, the Durham City Council was going to vote on the fate of the Milton Small Home Security Life Building (former Police HQ) in Durham. In a move that surprised everyone, the Mayor delayed the decision a month and allowed the two remaining redevelopment proposals, only [one of which \(Fallon\) saves the building intact](#), to be modified by their sponsors. The next vote is Monday, November 4, 7pm. If you can't attend, [email the Council](#) and let them know you support the Fallon proposal that keeps the building intact. NCModernist's George Smart will be among the many speakers advocating for the building, an essential part of Durham's mid-century heritage.



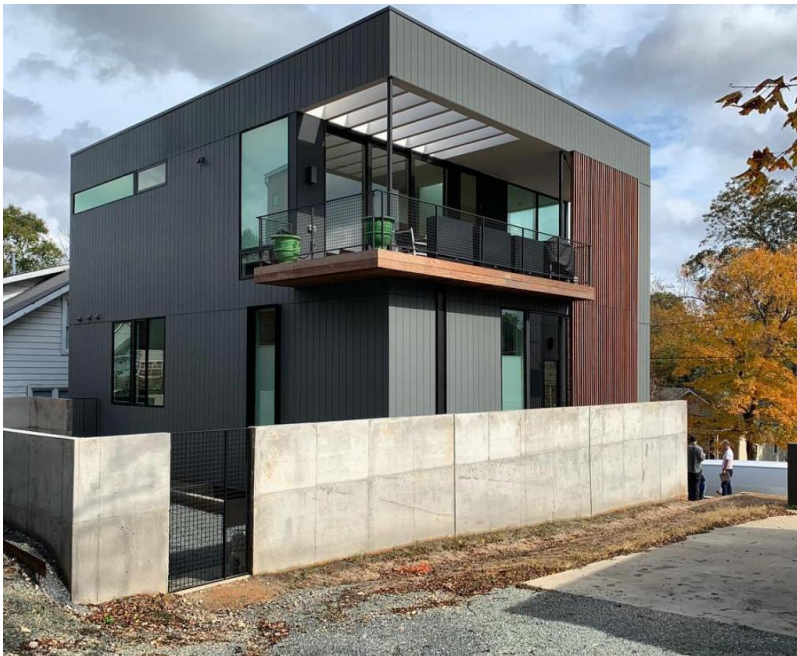
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AIA North Carolina recently had their annual design awards. These are the winning entries relevant to Modernist houses. See videos of all the winners, residential and commercial, [here](#).





Greyfriars Residence, Mooresville, [Cluck Design](#)



Kimball Residence, Raleigh, [in situ studio](#)



Pleiades Modern, four houses in Durham, [Raleigh Architecture](#)



LaFera Wilson Residence, Fuquay-Varina, [Raleigh Architecture](#)



Trott Residence, Durham, [Tina Govan](#)





Campion Studio, Winston-Salem, [STITCH Design Shop](#)



Figure 8 House, Wilmington, Point Office Architecture and Design





Haymond Residence, Raleigh, [Tonic Design](#)



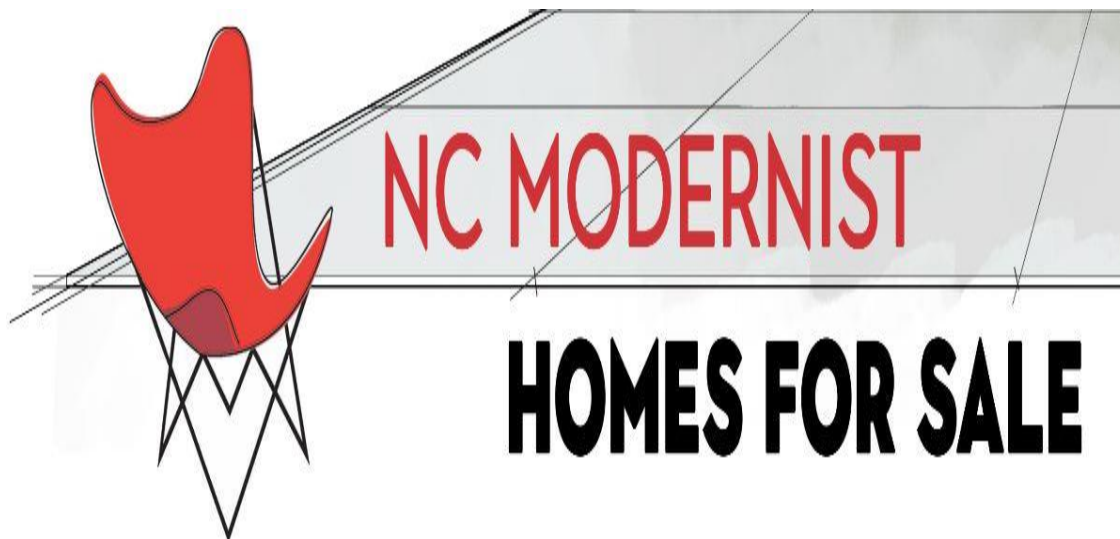
Known for her innovative Modernist houses with partner Matt Griffith, [Erin Sterling Lewis](#) won the Deitrick Medal for her years of service to AIA North Carolina.



**Monday, November 4, 730pm**, the NCModernist/ModHomes Architecture Movie Series at the Chelsea Theatre, 1129 Weaver Dairy Road, Chapel Hill. The Chelsea is a beloved Chapel Hill art house theatre featuring fresh organic popcorn, craft beers, wine, and soft drinks! There are some great restaurants and coffee shops adjacent for pre- and post-movie gatherings. Sponsored again this year by Modernist Realtor [Sarah Sonke](#), these visually and intellectually compelling movies about Modernist architecture and architects rarely get shown in commercial theaters. Also sponsored by [Hill Country Woodworks](#). [Details, schedule, movies, trailers, and ticket information!](#)



Strange and Familiar: Architecture on Fogo Island followed by phone Q&A with producer Katherine Knight. Fogo is a small, rocky outcropping off the coast of Newfoundland, Canada, with a population of just over 2000 people. Interspersed in its sub-arctic natural landscape of lakes, rivers and mountains are eleven small settlements, and the island is now the scene for a collection of Modernist residences designed by Norwegian practice Saunders Architecture. Fogo's rocky wilderness and contemporary architectural interest was captured in a compelling and visually beautiful documentary film.



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 [exclusive statewide list](#).

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