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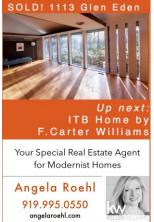
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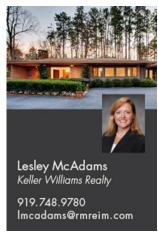


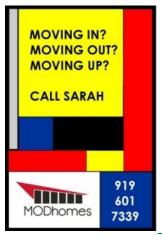
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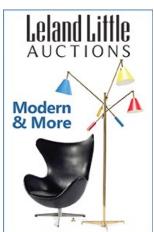
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Trickle Tour, Saturday, July 11, 2020, 8am to 8pm, 106 Carolina Avenue, Chapel Hill NC.

What's a trickle tour? It's where Modernist fans visit an unoccupied Modernist house at a trickle of the normal rate, dramatically reducing the number of people in the house. There will be no more than 6 people are in the 4996sf house at the same time. That's more than 800 square feet per person! Plus,

there's greater flexibility in selecting a tour time and ticket price. Choose your entry window from 8am through 8pm. **The house has not been occupied for two months.** Enjoy no-contact registration outside the house under the carport. All participants must wear a mask, as will NCModernist staff and volunteers. **Details and tickets.** 







New: #148/Modernism Week: The Alexanders' Winning Bet + Colleen Duffy of Devil Doll. There's a shining star for Robert and Helene Alexander on the Palm Springs Walk of Stars - installed last February during Modernism Week. Although largely unknown outside of California, the Alexanders were critically important developers and builders to the expansion of Modernism. While other developers were afraid of Modernist design, as a lot still are today, sad to say, the Alexanders went all-in, working with important architects like William Cody and Bill Krisel to create thousands of homes we love around Palm Springs. Host George Smart talks with Jill Alexander Kitnick, daughter of the Alexanders, and Jim Harlan, author of a new book on them. Later in the show, George and Tom chat with special musical guest Colleen Duffy from Devil Doll, singing from her new album plus her biggest hit Bourbon in your Eyes. USModernist Radio is sponsored by Modernist realtor Angela Roehl and Nichiha.com.









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Modernism 101: explaining the basic styles, all in one article.

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IconicHouses.org has a great new section covering worldwide Modernist housing at risk.

From the New Yorker: How the Coronavirus will reshape architecture.



**Frank Lloyd Wright's** 1938 Charles and Dorothy Manson house is for sale for \$425,000. It is in Wausau WI and has 4 bedrooms, 3 baths in 2462 sf on a 0.58 acre lot. <a href="Photos">Photos</a>. Contact owner David Wood at <a href="mailto:davdwood@yahoo.com">davdwood@yahoo.com</a> for more information.





Tomorrow, Tuesday June 23. Get a free online tour of the Glass House with Chief Curator Hilary Lewis!





Useful search tips that work in Google Search for both USModernist and NCModernist:

- 1. Find an architect's archive by typing their last name and the name of the relevant website: as examples, Lautner USModernist or Szostak NCModernist.
- 2. To find a specific house in our archives, put the address in quotes, leave off the street type (Av, Rd, St, etc.) and the name of the relevant website: as examples, "2460 Sunset" USmodernist or "114 Glendale" NCmodernist.
- 3. Find a specific house on all sites: put the address in quotes, leave off the street type (Av, Rd, St, etc.) and the name of the architect: as examples, "2460 Sunset" Neutra or "114 Glendale" Szostak.



July 11: NCModernist Trickle Tour, Chapel Hill NC. Tickets and details.

September 26: The Charlotte NC Mad About Modern Tour will change to a virtual format. Details TBA.

October 15-18: Modernism Week Fall Preview in Palm Springs, CA, features a variety of new and favorite events including architectural walking tours, festive cocktail parties,

home tours, stimulating lectures. Tickets available beginning at noon PT on Sunday, August 1.

October 23-24: The New Canaan Modern Tour will change to a virtual format. Details TBA.

November 6-8: The Sarasota Architecture Foundation presents SarasotaMOD Weekend 2020 honoring Carl Abbott.

November 6-8: The annual Auldbrass Tour is Yemassee, SC, has been postponed until November 2021.













### Six ways you can be part of USModernist and NCModernist!

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Getting a little bored at home? USModernist's crowd-research project needs volunteers to scout the internet, as we more fully document 8,000 iconic Modernist houses across America. It's incredibly fun to

put together clues, in your sweatpants from your laptop, to find America's rich legacy of Modernist design. Email carie@usmodernist.org.



New Mod Squad Membership Deal! Mod Squad members provide financial support for USModernist and NCModernist and our award-winning work with the documentation, preservation, and promotion of residential Modernist architecture. This thriving community of people dedicated to Modernist residential design is into art, food, travel, furniture, fashion, and fun. Mod Squad membership connects you with these like-minded people, building new and meaningful relationships! We have re-engineered Mod Squad

memberships with a new, less expensive, more convenient membership plan! Now you can be a deeper part of the community for only \$9.99 a month - plus your first month is free. Applies to new members - or renewals! Details.



When you schedule a free conversation about solar for your house, USModernist receives a \$50 donation.

Hat tips to Daniel Perrin, Catherine Cramer, and Virginia Faust.





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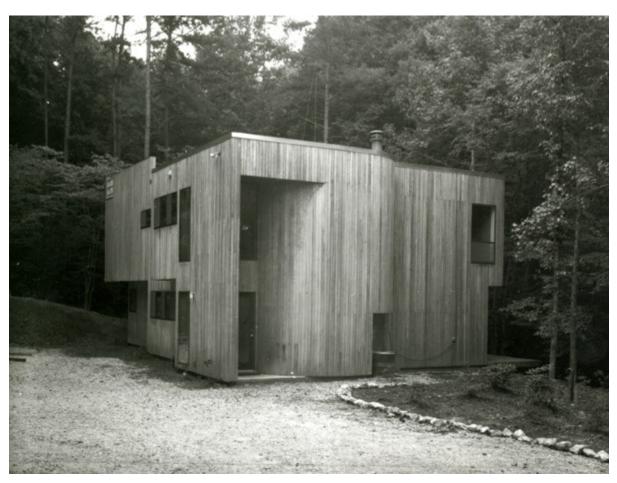
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Vote for your favorite house in this year's 2020 George Matsumoto Prize, North Carolina's highest honor exclusively for Modernist residential architecture. Voting is open to anyone! We've got a record number of houses from the mountains to the MATSUM0T0 coast. Limited to one vote per email address. Addresses that are or appear to be machine-generated or fraudulent will not be counted. However, if you want to vote more than once, say from a home email and a work email, that's fine. The 2020 George Matsumoto Prize is powered by Nichiha. Voting closes at 5pm ET, July 1.

Everyone who votes receives a free subscription to this newsletter! <u>Vote here.</u>

Coverage in Architects+Artisans, by Mike Welton.



Endangered House Alert! Vacant for seven years, the Bill Hopkins design at 4124 Picardy in Raleigh is up for sale as a teardown. Evoking Charles Gwathmey, one of Hopkin's inspirations as a young architect, the house may be too far gone to recover. But hey, some people like a challenge. Could it be you? Here's the listing.



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