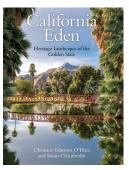


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The old barn on the O'Neill property was originally built when the property was used as a cattle ranch outpost. Photo: Saxon Holt/PhotoBotanic



The allusion to Italianate style in the stone colonnade at the end of the pool of Green Gables blends into the views of the Santa Cruz mountains. Photo: Nils Timn

Authors on Architecture: Chamberlin & O'Hara on California Eden

SAH/SCC Zoom Program Sunday, July 28, 2024, 1-2:30 PM Pacific



The Japanese Tea Garden in San Francisco's Golden Gate Park dates from 1894 and launched a voque for commercial tea gardens. Photo: Susan Chamberlin

Join Susan Chamberlin, ASLA, and Christine Edstrom O'Hara as they present their new book, California Eden: Heritage Landscapes of the Golden State (Angel City Press, 2024). For many people, the concept of landscape is associated with gardens, especially estate gardens. California Eden reaches far beyond the elite circle of private estates; this book highlights a wide range of landscapes from the professional to the vernacular through exceptional essays by distinguished landscape historians (including SAH/SCC Advisory Board Member Ann Scheid). Beyond its breathtaking vistas, the book delves deep into the cultural and historical significance of these landscapes, revealing the untold stories of the people who have inhabited and shaped them over the centuries.

Chamberlin is a landscape historian and a licensed landscape architect with a degree in landscape architecture from the University of California, Berkeley, and master's degree in architectural history from the University of California, Santa Barbara. She is a founding member of the California Garden & Landscape History Society and a former adjunct faculty member of Santa Barbara City College, where she taught garden history.

O'Hara is a professor of landscape architecture at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo. She received her BA in English from Stanford University (Palo Alto, CA), Master of Landscape Architecture from University of Washington (Seattle), and Ph.D. in Landscape Architecture from University of Edinburgh (Scotland). In addition to teaching, Prof. O'Hara has had a landscape design practice for more than 25 years. Within that practice, she consults on the restoration and preservation of historic landscapes by writing National Register nominations.

Chamberlin & O'Hara on California Eden—Sunday, July 28, 2024; 1-2:30 PM Pacific; \$5. Go to www. sahscc.org, and pay via PayPal or mail in order form on Page 6 with check.





SAH/SCC President's Letter

The Barn (1949; A. Quincy Jones, FAIA, 1965). Photo: Sian Winship

Sisters Are Doin' It For Themselves

Where Women Made History (WWMH) is a new initiative—a partnership between the National Trust for Historic Preservation and the Los Angeles Conservancy—established to rectify the serious underrepresentation of women among LA's Historic Cultural Monuments (HCMs).

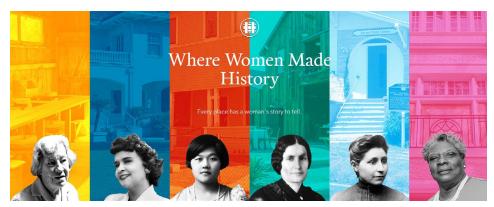
Of the nearly 1,300 places in Los Angeles designated as HCMs, fewer than three percent of them involve women's history. The majority of current HCMs were primarily designated for their architectural significance. Even the landmarked Eames House is attributed largely to Charles Eames (1907-1978), with very little credit given to Ray (1912-1988), and a general lack of acknowledgement of her place in architectural and design history. Women architects, such as Edith Northman (1913-1979), Greta Magnusson-Grossman (1909-1999), Helen Liu Fong (1927-2005), and even Julia Morgan, FAIA (1872-1957), are also underrepresented.

When it comes to women's cultural contributions to history, the lack of representation follows similar patterns to those of the Latino, Japanese American, Black, and LGBTQ communities.

WWMH is led by National Trust Field Manager Chris Morris. The purpose is to create a new model for gender-equitable historic designation. The initiative will focus on creating an amendment process for existing HCM nominations and encourage applications for new landmarks.

In many cases, including women's history, it requires significant time and willingness to dig deeply. In my own work on a recent National Register nomination for the Barn at 10300 W. Santa Monica Boulevard, commonly known as the third residence of A. Quincy Jones, FAIA (1913-1979), is a building I thought I knew well. I discovered that it was originally commissioned by Mary Mead Maddick (1902-1997) and her husband, Tamis Loris Maddick (1898-1969). Mead Maddick was a successful commercial photographer in the post-World War II period, in what was largely a man's world and centered on the east coast. The Barn's main living space was a photography studio for her many commissions for cover shoots for Parade, Ladies Home Journal, and other national magazines. Including Mead Maddick's story is important and it enriches understanding and appreciation for the legacy of A. Quincy and Elaine Kollins Sewell Jones, Hon. AIA (1917-2010)—an accomplished architecture writer and communicator in her own right—at the Barn.

-Sian Winship



Find more information on WWMH at www/savingplaces.org/womens-history.

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Up in the Air Terminal

SAH/SCC Zoom Program

Sunday, August 4, 2024, 1-2:30 PM Pacific

Please join SAH/SCC Past President and current Treasurer, John Berley, as he discusses the history and rehabilitation of the Glendale's Grand Central Air Terminal (Henry Gogerty, AlA, 1930). John will be joined by preservation architect John LoCascio, AIA, Principal Architect at Historic Resources Group, to discuss this important project.



Aerial view of Grand Central Air Terminal in Glendale, February 28, 1932.

Boarded up and abandoned, the GCAT building restoration began in early 2012 Photo: John Berley

Photo: courtesy USC Digital Library

The design of the terminal represents the transition between transcontinental railroad and air travel that was taking place at the time. The horizontal, Spanish Colonial Revival-style terminal building evokes LA Union Passenger Terminal (John & Donald Parkinson, 1939), and features an elaborate porte cochere for automobile drop offs and pick ups. The terminal volume is punctuated by the vertical control tower in the Art Deco style, with a series of four stylized sentries watching over the aviators.

The Glendale airport was the site of the first operations of Trans World Airlines (TWA), the transcontinental airline that counted Charles Lindbergh (1902-1974) as a pilot and advisor in its early days. It was also home to the early experimental efforts of Howard Hughes (1905-1976)—who later owned TWA—and a frequent stop of pioneer aviatrixes, including Amelia Earhart (1897-1937).

In 2012, Frederick Fisher & Partners was hired by the Walt Disney Company to transform the boarded-up terminal building into offices and a social space. Berley was Senior Associate at the firm and principally in charge of the building's adaptive reuse. This program will explore the rich history of aviation in Southern California and transcontinental air travel.

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Frederick Fisher & Partners completed the restoration of GCAT for the Walt Disney Company in December 2015. Photo: Paul Turang/courtesy FF&P

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Leddy Residence (Richard J. Neutra, FAIA, 1959)

Photo: Open Space

Bakersfield Built: The 1950s

SAH/SCC Co-Sponsored Exhibition, Symposium, Tour September 27-29, 2024

This year, the Bakersfield Built Foundation, SAH/SCC, and Bakersfield Museum of Art present Bakersfield Built: The 1950s. Every five years, the program explores Bakersfield and its modernist legacy. This year's program will focus on the most important decade for modernism: the 1950s.

In 1952, a devastating earthquake leveled much of downtown. This paved the way for the Chamber of Commerce to encourage rebuilding in the midcentury modern style. Dubbing itself "The Newest City in America," Bakersfield eschewed its turn-of the-century identity for a modern aesthetic.

In addition to rebuilding efforts, demand for new homes increased, as a wave of postwar prosperity reached Kern County and returning GIs started families. The population was 34,784 in 1950 and increased 63.4% to 56,848 by 1960.

Ready to help was a talented crew of local architects who received high school training at the able hands of Clarence C. Cullimore, Sr., FAIA (1885-1963), and completed their education at the University of Southern California School of Architecture, where a modern architectural pedagogy focused on post-and-beam construction. Local architects include Whitney Biggar, AIA (1920-2005), Allan K. Choy (1920-2004), Eddy & Paynter, Frank Lloyd Wright, FAIA (1867-1959), Metcalf & Parsons, Hayslett & Hayslett, and Wilson Call, AIA (1916-2017).

Bakersfield Built: The 1950s will feature an exhibition at the Bakersfield Museum of Art. Among the featured speakers at a symposium will be Getty Research Institute's Maristella Casciato, writer and historian Alan Hess, writer and SAH/SCC Member Barbara Lamprecht, Neutra Institute President Raymond Neutra, and SAH/SCC President Sian Winship. The self-guided tour of several residences includes the Albert and Patricia Leddy Residence (Richard J. Neutra, FAIA, 1959), among other modern delights. The three-day event wraps up with a brunch at the Ablin Residence (Frank Lloyd Wright, FAIA, 1961) to raise funds for its preservation and future use.

Tickets will be available through the Bakersfield Museum of Art website. Please watch your email for notice of their availability for sale.



Ablin Residence (Frank Lloyd Wright, FAIA, 1961). Photo: Thomas Olsen



Leddy Residence (Richard J. Neutra, FAIA, 1959). Photo: Open Space

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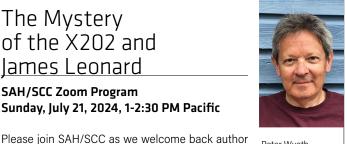
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Peter Wyeth to talk about industrial designer James



Peter Wyeth

Leonard. The mystery in question is of Leonard's X202 chair, which was manufactured between 1947 and 1951. Yet there are none around, and legend has it that no one has ever seen one.

Leonard's furniture—including desks—was made of aluminum and plywood and manufactured by Educational Supply Association (ESA) in Stevenage, Hertfordshire. Leonard's X201 model sold by the millions, as it was designed for students. X202 was the armchair version meant for teachers.

According to the Stevenage Museum, which is actively searching for the chair: "Almost every British bum of the period must have sat on a James Leonard chair and by 1950 the rest of the furniture industry lobbied parliament to change the rules for school furniture as the ESA aluminum range had a virtual monopoly and the rest simply couldn't compete."

British-born Leonard was elected a Fellow of the Society of Industrial Artists in 1947, due to the collection that contained the X202, but also due to his experience in mass production.

Peter Wyeth's last SAH/SCC program, for his book The Lost Architecture of Jean Welz (DoppelHouse, 2022), traced a string of discoveries excavated from the most fragmentary evidence on the work of this Austrian architect (see page 5 to order the replay if you missed it). This program promises to do the same for James Leonard and the X202 chair.



The X202 chair by James Leonard.



The X103 stacking table and X205 chair designed for preschoolers.

The Mystery of the X202 and James Leonard-Sunday, July 21, 2024; 1-2:30 PM Pacific; \$5. Go to www.sahscc.org, and pay via PayPal or mail in order form on Page 6 with check; Zoom link sent upon registration.