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At long last, after two years of planning, tickets are now available for **USModernist's November 2020 World's Fair Trip to Dubai and Abu Dhabi**. At the information session last week, more than half the seats were sold. **There are only 12 places left**. Not only will you experience the incredible jawdropping modern architecture of these countries, but hey - it's a freakin' World's Fair! How often does that come along? [Details and tickets](#). Almost everything's included: flight, hotels, tours, transport, breakfasts, and fair admissions. Prepare to be wowed.

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Only 6 seats left on the bus! Saturday, October 12, 8-5pm: Time for our wonderful twice-a-year Modapalooza bus tour, taking you to new Modernist houses around Raleigh, Durham, and Chapel Hill. Join NCModernist we visit amazing new homes by **Raleigh Architecture, Tonic Design, Larry Scarpa, Arielle Schechter, Heather Washburn, Nick Hammer, POD Design,** and more! [Details and tickets.](#) If we are flooded with requests, we'll get another bus!

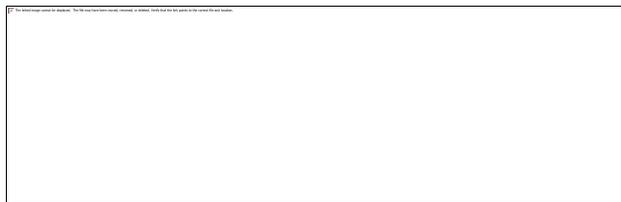




USModernist Global 5: London / Brussels / Amsterdam Modernist Architecture Tour, May 5-14, 2020. Are you ready for some heart-pounding Modernist architecture in England, Belgium, and the Netherlands? Join USModernist on our 5th architectural adventure to Europe. You just won't believe where we're going and what you're going to see. You will discover incredible architecture in three countries. This is a unique opportunity to see some of the world's best architecture - with virtually everything included! [Details and tickets.](#)



Thursday, September 19, 6-8pm, TRIG, 1053 East Whitaker Mill Road #109, Raleigh. Join **Bob** for some of the most amazing Modern furniture, lighting, and accessories.



Thursday, October 17, 6-8pm. Join **Robby Johnston, Craig Kerins**, and the crew of Raleigh Architecture at their new offices, 716 South Saunders Street, Raleigh. This design/build firm has been tearing it up the last few years, turning out multiple award-winning houses and soon new commercial and multi-family projects.

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](#).



New on USModernist Radio - Over the last few years, we've been checking out design and architecture podcasts from around America. We've had the pleasure of talking with **Frances Anderton** of DnA, **Debbie Millman** of Design Matters, **Josh Cooperman** of Convo by Design, and **David and Marina** of Midnight Charrette. Today we welcome two new friends who keep the public's design fire going with their interesting and popular podcasts.

Architect **Steve Chung** is based in Boston, where the good clam chowder lives, focused on residential and hospitality projects. Steve graduated in architecture from Harvard and interned with [Richard Meier](#) in New York, worked for Machado Silvetti in Boston and collaborated with designer **Philippe Starck**. He was the host and creator of the PBS series Cool Spaces which ran in 2014 and is currently co-host with **Doug Patt** on the Design Your Dream Home podcast.

Architect **Donna Sink** is the host of the Archinect podcast with guests we know and love such as **Sekou Cooke** and our buddy [Rusty Long](#) from right here in North Carolina. A graduate of the University of Arizona and also Cranbrook, which is like a Jedi school for architecture, her career began at Atkin Olshin Shade in Philadelphia in historic preservation. She joined Rowland Design in 2017 and was President of the Indianapolis AIA.

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 [named USModernist Radio](#) #2 in the Top Nine design podcasts!



Do you love architecture documentaries? We sure do. These visually and intellectually compelling movies about Modernist architecture and architects rarely get shown in commercial theaters. No one's getting rich with these films; in fact, for many producers, bringing them to life is a huge labour of love - for which they'd be better off financially working at McDonalds. Help USModernist support these brave architecture producers so their documentaries can be finished, fully edited, formatted for various media, and released to film festivals (including ours!).





Devon Chivvis is a third-generation Modernist. She grew up in a magically beautiful Modernist home in New Canaan CT designed by [Eliot Noyes](#), just as her mother and grandmother did in an earlier Noyes house. Noyes was part of The Harvard Five, a group of New England architects which included **Philip Johnson, John Hedjuk, Marcel Breuer, and John Johansen**. Devon combines her genuine love of architecture and her thoughtful award-winning expertise in filmmaking to create a Harvard Five documentary. Watch her brilliant, endearing trailer above and [pledge your support!](#)



Jake and Tracey Gorst have produced many architecture documentaries including Frey: Part I and II; The Nature of Modernism: E. Stewart Williams, Architect; Modern Tide:

Midcentury Architecture on Long Island; Desert Utopia: Mid-Century Architecture in Palm Springs; William Krisel, Architect; Journeyman Architect: The Life and Work of Donald Wexler; and Leisurama. Now they are launching a six-part series on New England Modernism. Watch the trailer above and [pledge your support](#).



The George Matsumoto Prize



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NCModernist is thrilled to announce the blue-ribbon jury for the [2020 George Matsumoto Prize](#), North Carolina's highest honor exclusively for Modernist residential architecture. NCModernist created the Matsumoto Prize in 2012 honor of [George Matsumoto](#), one of the founding faculty members of North Carolina State University's College of Design. Matsumoto created some of North Carolina's most well-known and well-loved Modernist houses. The Matsumoto Prize encourages young architects, designers, and prospective clients to continue the Modernist movement in houses so important to North Carolina's design heritage.

The 2020 Jurors are:

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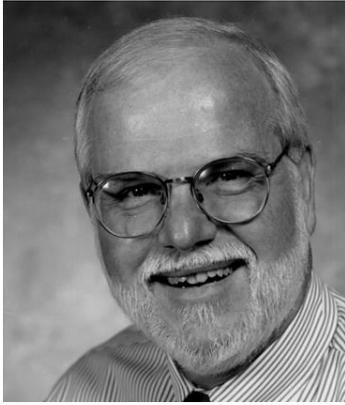
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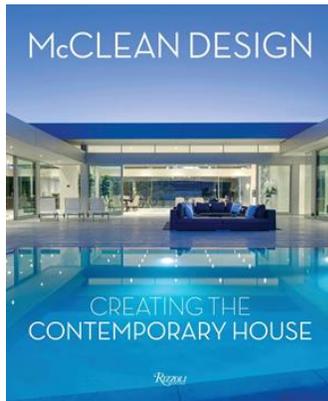
Raleigh architect [Steve Schuster](#) died last week. He started Clearscapes in 1981 with sculptor **Thomas Sayre**. Schuster and Sayre and their wives moved to adjoining apartments carved out of an old warehouse in 1989, pioneers in a worn downtown that was deteriorating. Undeterred, Clearscapes led the way to Raleigh's downtown revival. The firm's many commercial projects include the Pine State Creamery conversion on Glenwood South, the conversion of the Hudson Belk Building on Fayetteville Street, the new Carolina Union at Chapel Hill, the redevelopment of Blount Street in downtown Raleigh, a guiding role in the Contemporary Art Museum in the warehouse district designed by **Larry Scarpa**, design of what is now the Marbles Kids Museum, Raleigh Union Station, and the Raleigh Convention Center. Schuster was inducted into the Raleigh Hall of Fame in 2014, and he was named 2014 News and Observer Tar Heel of the Year.



Betty Topper died last week in Los Angeles. The owner of the iconic Lovell Health House for almost 60 years, she kept [Richard Neutra's](#) famous design intact and ready for future generations of Modernist architecture fans.

On this Wednesday, August 21, at 7pm, Preservation Greensboro offers a free walking tour of downtown Modernism. [Details](#).

New photos by **Paul Clemence** of [Corbusier's Pavilion in Zurich](#).



New Book Available Now

[McClellan Design: Creating the Contemporary House](#), by **Paul McClean**.

Upcoming NC State College of Design / AIA Triangle Lectures:

All lectures begin at 6pm in the Burns Auditorium, Kamphoefner Hall, NCSU College of Design, Raleigh NC.

September 16: **Lawrence Scarpa, FAIA**, Principal, Brooks + Scarpa Architecture Landscape Urban Design

September 23: **Frank Harmon, FAIA**, Principal, Frank Harmon Architects

September 30: **Patrick Rand, FAIA**, Professor of Architecture, NC State University School of Architecture

October 7: **Heather Roberge**, Principal, Murmur, Chair, UCLA Department of Architecture and Urban Design

October 21: **Mimi Hoang, AIA**, Principal, nARCHITECTS

November 4: **Margaret Griffin, FAIA**, Principal, Griffin Enright Architects



For sale: six brushed satin nickel halogen uplights, ten years old. They all work perfectly and are sold as a set. Originally purchased at \$200 each, **you can have them all for**

\$29 each. Includes mounting hardware. Model: PLC Lighting 21065SN, UPC:

736211184382, Lamp Type: Halogen 120v, Width 9.75, Height 4.5, Glass Frost, Bulb Type

120v. All funds benefit NCModernist. Contact George Smart, george@ncmodernist.org.

Hat tips to **Daniel Perrin** and **Virginia Faust**.



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