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MATSUMOTO PRIZE

The 2020 George Matsumoto Prize is North Carolina's highest honor exclusively for Modernist residential architecture. The unique design competition features a blue-ribbon jury of internationally known architects and online public voting. [Vote for your favorite house](#) in this year's competition. We've got a record number of houses from the mountains to the coast. Voting closes at 5pm ET, July 1. 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. Decisions on vote eligibility are final. Vote counts will not be released; only the recipients of 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. The 2020 George Matsumoto Prize is [powered by Nichiha](#). [Vote](#)

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A terrific new Netflix documentary on the astonishing architect [Bjarke Ingels](#) - but you don't need a Netflix subscription to see it.



Kate Wagner of [McMansion Hell](#) creates a new term for design during the virus: [coronagrifting](#).



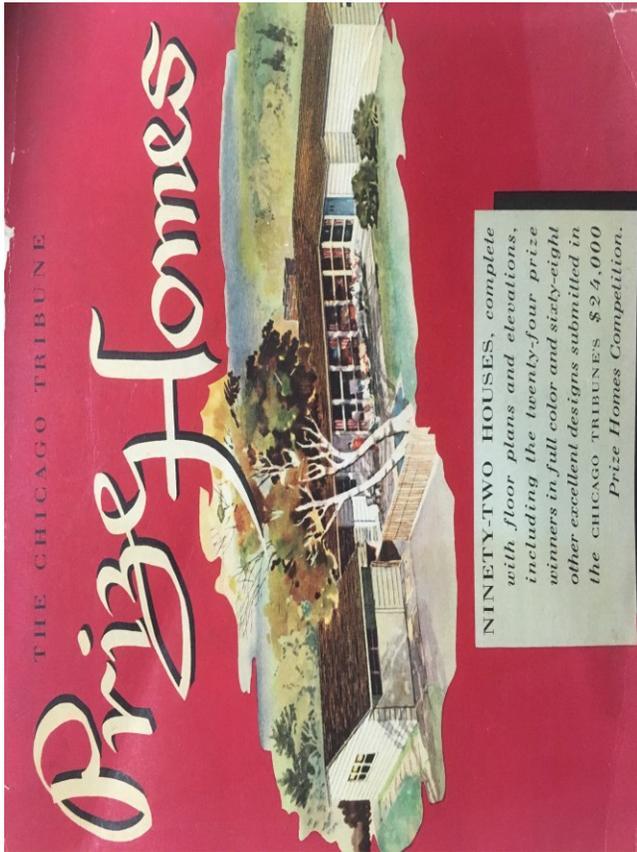
From Dezeen: [floating concrete houses](#).



New to the [USModernist Masters Gallery](#): Case Study House architect [Rodney Walker](#).



Tucson's Sunshine Mile of mid-century modern commercial buildings was listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Architects who contributed to the unique character of this commercial shopping district include: **Bernard J. Friedman; Anne Rysdale; Frank J. Nelson; Cecil H. Moore; Nicholas Gust Sakellar; Roy Place; Lew Place; Josias Joesler; Terrence "Terry" Cloney Atkinson; William and Sylvia Wilde; Blanton and Cole; Charles Cox; Cain, Nelson, Wares, and Cook; Juan Wørner y Baz; Gordon Maas Luepke; Jaastad and Knipe; Ralph Haver; and Ronald Bergquist.** Visit preservetucson.org to learn more and contribute to the effort.



Professor **Siobhan Moroney** of Lake Forest College is researching the 1945 Chicagoland Prize Homes architectural competition, sponsored by the Chicago Tribune. Nearly 1,000 entries came to the Tribune jury, which awarded 24 \$1,000 prizes. In February 1946, the Art Institute of Chicago exhibited 172 of the entries (including the winners), and in 1948, the Tribune published Chicagoland Prize Homes, a compilation of 92 designs (including the 24 winners). To further the project, Professor Moroney is seeking information about submissions, designs displayed at the Art Institute, known houses built from winning designs (about two dozen have been identified so far) and families who lived in Prize Homes houses. Contact her at moroney@lakeforest.edu.

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DOCOMOMO-US is having a [photo contest](#).

THE MOD SQUAD

New Mod Squad Deal! Mod Squad members provide financial support for Modernist Archive, Inc., aka USModernist and NCModerntist, and the documentation, preservation, and promotion of residential Modernist architecture. The Mod Squad is a thriving community of people dedicated to Modernist residential design. Mod Squad members are into art, food, travel, furniture, fashion, and fun. Mod Squad membership connects you with 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.](#)



New: #146/Bridges as Architecture: We don't typically think of bridges as architecture. There are about 600,000 bridges in the US, with only a few dozen getting anyone too excited, and most of those like the Golden Gate Bridge and the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge were built decades ago. Today from the UK we welcome one of the world's leading bridge architects, **Martin Knight**, whose heralded spans create exciting portals to cities while helping cars, trains, and pedestrians go from one place to another. Founded in 2006, his firm won several high-profile international design projects including part of the world-record-breaking Hong Kong Macao bridge, a 380m-long timber footbridge in Austria, railway bridges linking Germany and Poland, and what soon will be the longest bridge in Helsinki, Finland. USModernist Radio is sponsored by Modernist realtor [Angela Roehl](#) and [Nichiha.com](#).



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UPCOMING EVENTS

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

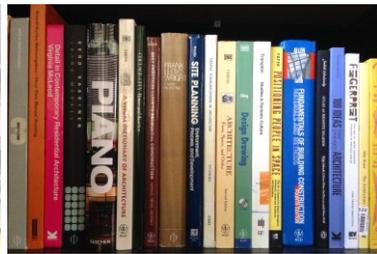
October 15-18: Modernism Week Fall Preview in Palm Springs, CA, features a variety of new and favorite events including architectural walking tours, festive cocktail parties, home tours, stimulating lectures. [Tickets available](#) beginning at noon PT on Sunday, August 1.

October 23-24: New Canaan Modern Tour, New Canaan, CT.

November 6-8: The SAF presents SarasotaMOD Weekend 2020 honoring Carl Abbott.



There are so many ways you can contribute to USModernist! Here are four:



Have you got old architecture magazines, new architecture books (especially coffee table books), or any architecture documentaries on DVD or Blu-ray (even VHS)? We'll provide free pickup or shipping, and you'll get a nice tax deduction! Contact **George Smart** at george@usmodernist.org.



Have you got an iconic mid-century chair, table, or clock (Eames, Barcelona, Noguchi, Nelson, etc.)? We'll provide free pickup or shipping, and you'll get a nice tax deduction! Contact **Rebekah Laney** at rebekah@usmodernist.org.



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.



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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Mike Welton on architect [Frank Harmon's final house](#) in Raleigh NC.



NC Modernist Executive Director **George Smart** [was on Chappell Chats with Johnny Chappell on the roof of new Raleigh Modernist townhouses](#) last week, discussing the legacy of Modernist in design in North Carolina. They were designed by [Raleigh Architecture](#).

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