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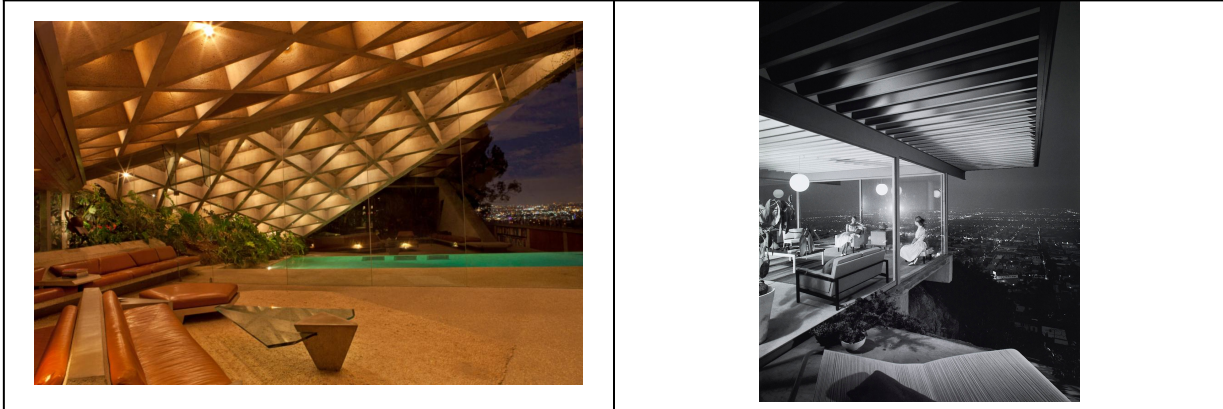
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Featured Events



Saturday-Sunday, November 12-13. Moon Over Modernism® Los Angeles is a benefit weekend for USModernist featuring an evening in the world-famous Sheats-

Goldstein House, designed by **John Lautner** — followed the next day by a Champagne tour at the iconic Stahl House, aka Case Study House 22, designed by **Pierre Koenig**.



Join us for these amazing Modernist events in legendary Modernist houses. VIP tickets are sold out. **General tickets.** Just 50 places left - don't let this opportunity pass you by. Presented by:

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New: **Saturday, November 19**, 10am to 2pm. A **Frank Harmon** house and studio in beautiful scenic Orange County NC. [Details and tickets.](#)

News

[Philip Johnson designed "Paine House"](#)

The Paine House was designed by **Philip Johnson** (though he later deemed it "a work of little distinction") and built in 1949 on the western shore of Lake Champlain in Willsboro NY. Now, it's [on the market](#) for \$3.5M.



Runa Workshop cites **Mies van der Rohe** works in Cuba and Chicago as inspiring its design of the Victory Plaza [office building in a midcentury neighborhood](#) in Austin TX.



A unit has been listed for \$2.15M in architect **Irving J. Gill's 1919 Horatio West** in Santa Monica CA, a project that had a better fate than many of his 350 designs. It is on the National Register of Historic Places and is a Santa Monica Historic Landmark.



The **tallest building in Singapore**, at 305 meters (1,001 feet), has been designed by **Skidmore Owings & Merrill** and **DCA Architects** for 2028 completion.

[Zaha Hadid Architects models giant sports venue on Hangzhou tea farms | Dezeen](#)

The firm founded by the late **Zaha Hadid** is designing **a sports center in Hangzhou**, China, that will include a 60,000-seat soccer stadium, Dezeen reports.



Modernist and a movie pedigree: A 2007 home in Toronto designed by **Drew Mandel** was featured in the 2009 movie *Chloe* and is on the market for Canadian \$6.6M.



Not US, but Modernist! For sale for £3M, a 1931 home in Buckinghamshire, England, built, ironically, for the keeper of Greek and Roman antiquities at the British Museum.



The New Yorker takes a Halloween-season look at why it might be that so many villains in movies **seem to live in Modernist houses**.



Not just villains go Modernist in the movies. If IMDB.com listed locations used in films, **FLW's Ennis House in LA** would get **credit for than 80 appearances**.

- Toronto *Globe and Mail* columnist **Dave LeBlanc is impressed** with the USModernist "online treasure" of houses – and he wishes there was a Canadian version.
- *House Beautiful* lists 22 mid-century Modernist **architects everyone should know** because, "No architectural style has enjoyed a longer period of buzziness than midcentury modern...."
- The **Frank Lloyd Wright Trust** got blowback on its 2017 plans for a "visitor and education center" by FLW's Oak Park IL home. **It has a new plan now**.

Upcoming Events

[Tucson Modernism Week Promo 60 Seconds](#)

Tucson Modernism Week is being held November 9-13 in Tucson AZ. Information is [available here](#).



Architecture Sarasota is holding its ninth MOD Weekend on Nov. 10-13 with the theme "Tropical Modernism." [Event and ticket info](#).

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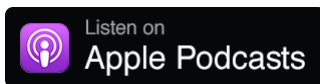
Through Nov 12: Artist **Danny Heller's** exhibit *Wonderland* focuses on the precursors to the midcentury Modernism we know and love in Los Angeles, with marvels designed by [Frank Lloyd Wright](#), his son [Lloyd Wright](#), [Richard Neutra](#),

[Rudolph Schindler](#), and [John Lautner](#). [Details and tickets.](#)

Books

[Walter Gropius](#) was influenced by Buffalo Bill? It's one of the items in a new book, *Walter Gropius, An Illustrated Biography*, according to [a Fast Company review](#).

Latest Podcast



#272/Modernist Appraiser James Ebert + Musical Guest Elijah Rock

Ever since Modernism started, most banks have been, let's say this delicately, a huge PITA. Getting reasonable appraisals for mortgages, insurance claims, and property taxes, and determining sales price is difficult, especially post-2008, when all the appraisal rules tightened up. That's where you need an expert, someone who knows Modernist architecture and can assign fair value. Today's guest is one of the foremost Modernist appraisers in California, **James Ebert**. Later on, musical guest, the classy **Elijah Rock**.

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[Trailer-George Nakashima, Woodworker](#)

George Nakashima, Woodworker

7pm Monday, November 7 at the Chelsea Chapel Hill, a beloved Chapel Hill art house theater featuring fresh organic popcorn, local craft beers, and curated wine and soft drink selections. Please arrive by 645pm. \$14 general public, \$7 current Mod Squad members.

Nakashima was one of the best known and influential woodworkers ever. His works were always finely crafted from solid hardwoods. They were either his deceptively simple nuanced forms or his explorations of the endless complexities found inside centuries-old trees. He did not come to woodworking until his mid-thirties after a worldwide search for meaning for several years during the Great Depression. During his seeker's journey, he found important answers that brought him to evolve his new approach to woodworking. It is a timeless story for anyone who has a fascination with the creative process, Japanese and Japanese-Americans, woodworking, nature, and the spiritual.

Afterwards, Q&A by phone with his son, **John Nakashima!** [Details and coming attractions.](#)

TOUR OF RESIDENTIAL ARCHITECTURE

AIA Triangle

Sliding Gable House NOTCH DESIGN

Franklin Street Historic Remodel BuildSense Architecture

Burch Avenue Arrowhead Designs

Sanctuary Study NOTCH DESIGN

Tree House ThoughtCraft Architects

Urban Courtyard BuildSense Architecture

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2022
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December 3: The AIA Triangle Tour, six houses in Durham and Orange counties.
Tickets [available](#).



Thursday, December 15, 6-8pm, Gallery C, 540 North Blount Street, Raleigh NC.
Free! [Details](#).

The 2022 T4A series is sponsored by **Angela Roehl**.

FOR

SALE

Vacancy, not development, is the enemy of mid-century Modernist houses. Preserve and protect the architecture you love by [notifying us](#) when North Carolina houses go vacant or on the market. The architect for each house, if known, is in brackets.

NEW:

2022 [1909 Milan Street, Durham](#) [[Keith Brown](#) and [Bill Waddell](#)]

1960 [3714 Randolph Road, Durham](#)

2004 [4221 Laurel Ridge Drive, Raleigh](#) [[Frank Harmon](#)]

STILL FOR SALE

2018 **5 North Swain Street, Raleigh** [Matt Griffith, Erin Sterling Lewis]

1978/2020 **191 Riverbend Drive Bermuda Run** [Henry Dole Norris, BH&G 1972]

2002 **2117 Waterwheel Road, Hurdle Mills** [Frank Harmon] [Oxide]

1966 **19 Cameron Circle, Pisgah Forest** [Henry Clyde McDonald and Sam Brewton]

2019 **811 N Mangum Street, Durham** [Raleigh Architecture Co.]

1949 **604 North Main Street, Louisburg** [Lustron]

1966 **20 Pine Valley Circle, Pinehurst** [Tommy Hayes]

1967 **900 East Ellerbee Street, Durham** [C.S. Whitt builder]

1975 **10 Virginia Road, Littleton** [B. A. Farrell]

1978 **2001 Crescent Drive, Graham** [Avriel Shull]

1987 **160 Johnson Dairy Road, Rockwell** [James Kluttz]

2003 **7207 Harmony Church Road, Efland** [Fred Stewart]

2005 **3035 Brassfield Road, Creedmoor** [Rhonda Angerio]

2015 **2024 Starterwood Lane, Hillsborough** [Phil Szostak/built by Tonic]

2021 **7145 North Ridge Drive, Raleigh** [Joseph Trojanowski]

2021 **2509 State Street, Durham** [Alicia Hylton-Daniel]

2023 **4301 Pamlico Drive, Raleigh** [Homestead Building Company]

2023 [517 East Cabarrus Street, Raleigh](#) [Daniels Building Co. of NC]

2023 [206 C Laurel Avenue, Carrboro](#) [Jason Hart]



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