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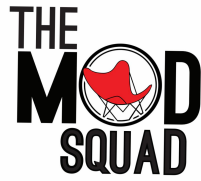
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ongoing mission of documentation, preservation and promotion. [What's a hodler?](#)

Modernist News



From [Archinect](#): Indiana University has a 1952 [Mies van der Rohe](#) design finally under construction. It's been adapted for contemporary use by **Thomas Phifer** and Partners and is expected to open this fall.

The [20 richest architects in the world](#). No. 1 is in the UK.

Habitat for Humanity builds its [first 3D-printed house in the US](#).

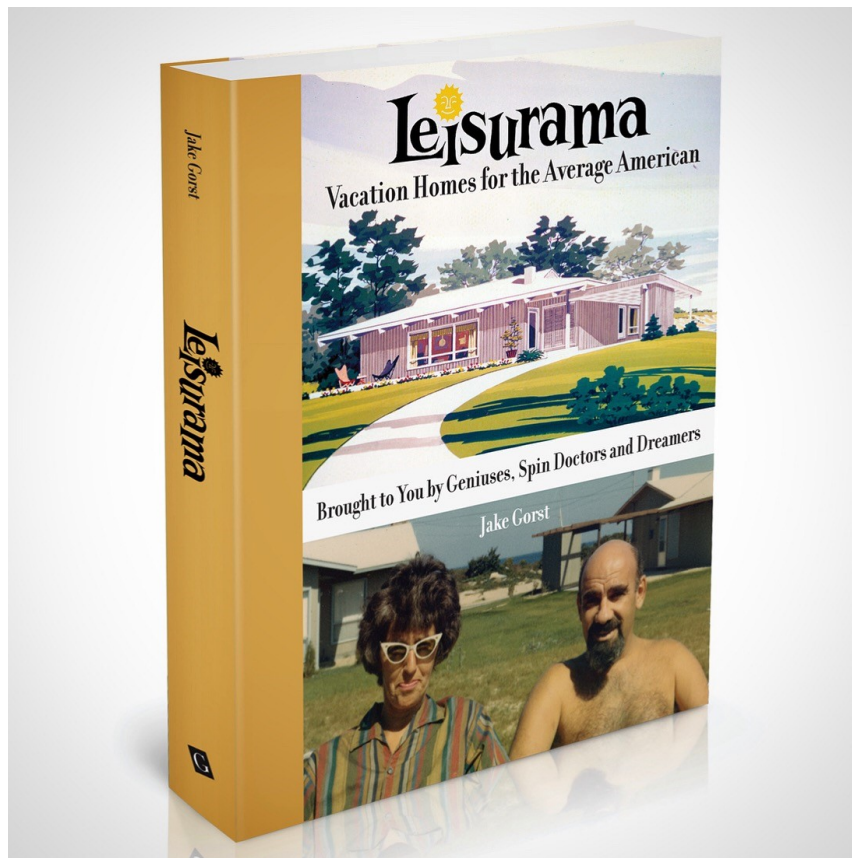
From **Kate Reggev** at Madame Architect: the [first three design schools](#) exclusively for women.

Download art from over [40 museums worldwide](#).

['Forever Marilyn' statue unveiled in downtown Palm Springs met with support and backlash](#)

The controversial **Marilyn Monroe** statue formally opened yesterday to cheers and jeers. Situated in the middle of what protesters call an illegal street closing, the \$1M statue paid for with City money through a trade association brings an embarrassing rear view to anyone exiting the Palm Springs Art Museum. Litigation continues as

CREMA, the Committee to Relocate Marilyn, has their next hearing in July.



How did an argument in a Moscow kitchen between **Richard Nixon** and **Nikita Khrushchev** result in the development of 200 mid-century modern vacation houses in the fishing community of Montauk, NY? **Leisurama** homes were drawn in the office of industrial designer **Raymond Loewy**, sold through Macy's Department Store, and delivered to the buyer fully furnished — down to the towels and toothbrushes.

The culmination of 17 years of research by documentary filmmaker **Jake Gorst**, *Leisurama: Vacation Homes for the Average American, Brought to You by Geniuses, Spin Doctors and Dreamers* chronicles the evolution of **Leisurama** from its inception through the 1964 World's Fair to present day.

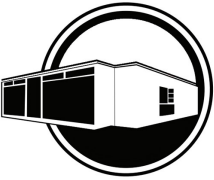
Support [this new book](#), or join a [free Zoom call](#) with Jake Thursday , June 24, 8p ET to learn more about the project.



New to the **USModernist Masters Gallery**: Arizona architect **Judith Chafee**.



Both our October 2021 and March 2022 **Dubai/World's Fair trips** are sold out! To get on the waiting list, email george@usmodernist.org.

MATSUMOTO PRIZE

Vote For Your Favorite House for the 2021 George Matsumoto Prize!

The 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 a separate category for online public voting. Anyone, anywhere can vote!

Vote for your favorite house from this year's amazing submissions from the NC mountains to the 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. Decisions on vote eligibility are final. Vote counts will not be released; only the

recipients of 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places. [Vote here before 4pm ET July 5.](#)

Join us for the 2021 Awards on July 29, see below! Read more in Architects+Artisans [here.](#)





Saturday-Sunday, November 6-7, The Frank Lloyd Wright / Auldbrass Tour,

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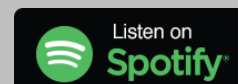
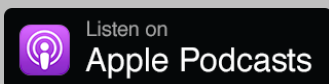
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Auldbress, **Frank Lloyd Wright's** amazing complex of buildings, is only open to the public **for three days every two years!** It's a rare, thrilling, visual experience you won't want to miss. 'Cause you'll be waiting two years if you do. You will roam the grounds, view the buildings, see the sculptures, and visit inside the main house.

You will also visit inside the 2005 Low Country Residence, designed by Raleigh architect **Frank Harmon** and the Middleton Inn by **W. G. Clark**. We provide everything: transportation, hotel, all meals except dinner, tours, admissions, even snacks! **Tickets and details.** **Mod Squad Members** save nearly \$100/person!



Sharon Prince, Lily Frost



New: #201/Grace Farms: Sharon Prince + Musical Guest Lily Frost

Every town hopes that someone will come along and, at no expense to the town, create something beautiful. We're not talking a new mall. We're talking acres of flowing grounds open to the public, an award-winning complex of stunningly

beautiful buildings by a world-class architecture firm, and a philanthropic mission that includes, among other noteworthy causes, the elimination of slave labor in the construction supply chain. One visionary person did just that in the Modernist center of New Canaan CT, notable for houses by **Philip Johnson, Eliot Noyes, John Johansen, Frank Lloyd Wright, Edward Durell Stone, Gisue and Mojgan Harari,** and **Jim Evans**. What did our heroine get in return for this amazing project? A cranky Planning and Zoning Commission and crankier neighbors who apparently are into lawsuits. Joining us is **Sharon Prince**, CEO and founder of Grace Farms. Later on, jazz from Canada with musical guest **Lily Frost**.

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Upcoming Events



Thursday, July 29, 6-8pm - LIVE, no Zoom!

The 2021 Matsumoto Prize Awards at Thirst4Architecture Happy Hour
@The Boxyard, Research Triangle Park NC

This brand new, 15,000-square-foot assembly of shipping containers is the first of its kind in North Carolina's bustling RTP epicenter for startups. Boxyard RTP will provide a unique, year-round dining and shopping experience with opportunities to connect

with each other safely. At 7pm, we'll announce the winners of the 2021 George Matsumoto Prize.

What's **Thirst4Architecture (T4A)**? NCModernist connects hundreds of people within the Modernist-architecture-loving public through monthly networking events called T4A . We welcome Modernist homeowners, architects, artists, designers, realtors, engineers, contractors, property investors, building managers, materials and furniture dealers — and anyone with a huge crush on great architecture. T4A events focus on building relationships, sharing passion about good design, creating strategic alliances, and connecting people. The **2021 T4A series** is sponsored by Modernist Realtor **Angela Roehl**.

Details and tickets.



Many thanks to 15 intrepid volunteers who sorted 62 boxes of architecture magazines recently to vastly increase holdings in the **USModernist library**. They were treated to breakfast from Bruegger's, a taco bar from Moe's, and with Michael Laney at the bar, afternoon margaritas! We appreciate everyone sharing their day with us.



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