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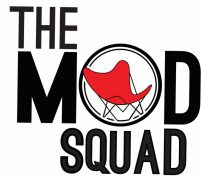
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## Modernist News



## Party like it's 1962!

**February 22-28:** If you're into mid-century Modernist architecture, you don't want to miss USModernist's wildly popular annual trip to Palm Springs for Modernism Week.

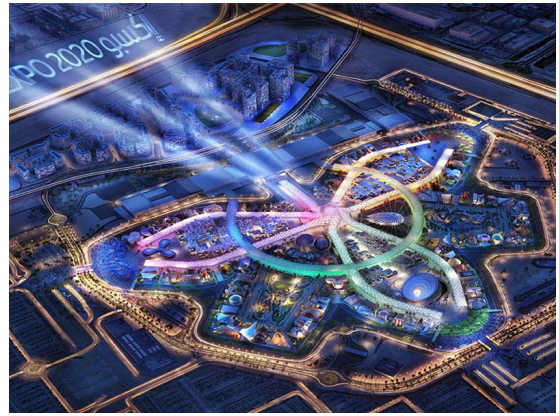
There's no other place in America with as many mid-century Modern houses per square mile – thousands of Modernist houses and buildings. And Modernism Week is the very best time to go – when the town goes wild with everything Modernist from houses to art to furnishings to lifestyles to lectures to fashion to food!

You'll go back in time to 1962 as we stay at the USModernist Compound, aka the swanky Hotel Skylark. I mean, c'mon, what's a group without its own private compound?

Plus you get event admissions, exclusive private tours, eye-popping Hollywood-style parties at fabulous houses, and a walkable location to downtown Palm Springs. There's our own free private open bar, available when we aren't touring – or attending fun events somewhere else. And forget renting a car all week – you get



Uber credit for free rides around town! Act quickly – 14 of the 35 places are already taken. [Details and tickets.](#)



USModernist's October 2021 trip to Dubai and Abu Dhabi for the World's Fair has long been sold out, but we now have two new places available! Interested in experiencing a world's fair? Please call **George Smart**, 919-740-8407, for details, and [view here](#). The October 2021 trip is virtually identical to the 2022 version shown.



From Dirt: That stunning Modernist house in **Alfred Hitchcock's** North By Northwest? All made up, [but brilliantly.](#)

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Recognized as a **national treasure in Canada**, the late **Cornelia Hahn Oberlander** created innovative landscape designs for more than sixty years.

The virtual **Indiana Modernist Home Tour** starts August 19.

Going to NYC? Catch the best **Modernist landmarks** on your own time, free.

From Architect: UNStudio and Bjarke Ingels Group Invest in **New Virtual Space**.

**Frank Lloyd Wright's** Freeman House in LA is for sale, bit it's **not exactly move-in ready**.

The **fight to move the Marilyn Monroe statue** in Palm Springs goes back to court this week.

## Featured Upcoming Events



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**Saturday, July 31, 10am-2pm: Trickle Tour!** 1912 Rolling Road, Chapel Hill NC. Dive back into the 1960's with the bright and airy **James and Gladess Crisp** House. Although the architect is unknown, it was built by a Mrs. Bone. With Brady Bunch-esque stairs, it's a super fun residence to visit – and it's for sale!

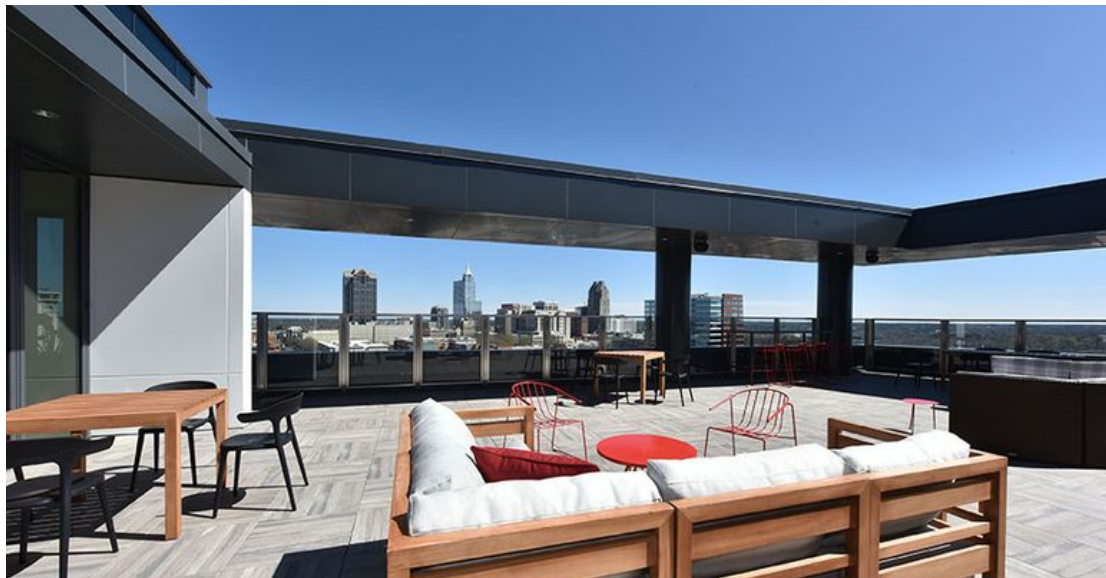
What's a Trickle Tour? It's where Modernist fans visit a new or newly remodeled - unoccupied - Modernist house at a trickle of the normal rate, dramatically reducing the number of people. By using timed admission, there will fewer people inside at any given time, usually less. Plus there's greater flexibility in selecting a tour time and ticket price. Participants must wear masks while inside and maintain a minimum six-foot distance with event staff and other participants. [Details and tickets.](#)



**August 19:** A stylish contemporary sculpture named Conoid II could be yours! A wonderful supporter of NCModernist has donated this **Gene Kangas** sculpture for our next **auction** through [Leland Little Auctions](#).

**Gene Kangas** is a versatile contemporary artist, creating artwork in various media that include modern sculptures and installations, digital paintings, folk art, wood turned sculptures, and others. His work was featured in many invitational and juried exhibitions. He taught three-dimensional art and design courses at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill from 1968-1971, and retired as professor emeritus after over 30 years of teaching at Cleveland State University.





**Thursday, September 2, 6pm-8pm. Sake In the Sky! Raleigh NC. Benefit event for NCModernist.**

Have you ever had Sake? Here's your chance to try something new. Maybe you're already a sake fan - here's your chance to learn more about one of the world's finest beverages.

You're invited to **a rooftop sake tasting party** on top of the new WeWork building (One Glenwood) in downtown Raleigh! You'll get one of the best views in town as

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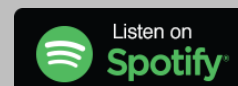
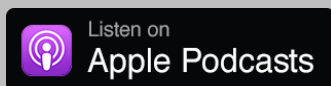
you blind-taste-test 10 different sakes from across the price spectrum. Once we reveal the types and brands, you can order for local delivery or take it with you!

Sponsored by [Westgate Wine](#) and [Chappell Residential](#). **Space is limited, so get your place early!** Proceeds benefit NCMModernist. [Tickets and details.](#)

## Newest USModernist Podcast



Haddawy, Holst



### New: #205/Serial Modernist: Mark Haddawy + Musical Guest Anders Holst

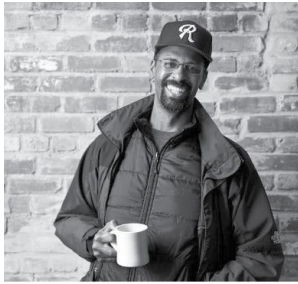
Let's say you collect stamps. If you go to the stamp club, you're gonna find people who collect more stamps than you. Then if you go to the stamp convention, you're gonna find an even more successful crowd. Then if you go to Sotheby's for one of their top stamp auctions, you're gonna find Mr. – or Ms. — Big. In the world of serial Modernist owners, **Mark Haddawy** is Mr. Big. He's had his hands and his budgets on more classic Modernist houses than just about anyone. Later on, music with the Sting of Sweden, **Anders Holst**.

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## Upcoming Events and Tours



**Starting July 25:** Raleigh's in situ studio's Real Matters 2021 Lecture Series opens in July at the Transfer Food Hall with great speakers from North Carolina and beyond including **Nick Neptune, Jonathan Tate, Sekou Cooke, Jaume Mayol, Stella Betts & David Leven**. [Register here](#). Free.



**Monday, July 26, 9pm ET / 6pm PT**, on Zoom, hosted by MOCA+ Collective Conscience. Join **George Smart** and **Michela Abrams** as they discuss the

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importance of saving architecture. Free. [Details](#).



**August 31:** A new book on LA's most famous Modernist house, the Stahl House, designed by [Pierre Koenig](#), arrives on bookshelves. Or, [you can order ahead](#). Read the [article in Vanity Fair](#).



**September 12 and 19.** Fire Island off the coast of New York has two house tours this fall. [Details and tickets](#).

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**Saturday-Sunday, November 6-7**, The Frank Lloyd Wright / Auldbrass Tour, Yemassee/Beaufort/Charleston SC. Auldbrass, **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! **Mod Squad Members** save nearly \$100/person! **Tickets and details.**



Vacancy, not development, is the enemy of mid-century Modernist houses. Preserve and protect the architecture you love by notifying us when houses go vacant or on the market.

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# FOR SALE

A long-treasured feature of the NCModernist website closes on August 1.

NCModernist's [North Carolina list of Modernist houses for sale or rent](#) started about 11 years ago under the watchful eye of **Virginia Faust**. Search technology has caught up with and surpassed us. National real estate search engines like Zillow and Redfin allow you not only to search for Modernist houses by type but also by keywords within descriptions. It's time for our humble spreadsheet to say goodbye. Many, many thanks to Virginia whose tireless efforts helped hundreds of people find Modernist houses around North Carolina.



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