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- Most people don't know the Triangle is the 3rd largest concentration of mid-century Modernist houses in America. Inspired by Frank Lloyd Wright and other Modernist architects, these "livable works of art" are being torn down in record numbers – largely because buyers, sellers, and realtors don't realize what they have – or how to preserve them.
- North Carolina Modernist Houses (NCMH) is a 501C3 nonprofit recognized for leadership in historic preservation with 12 local, state, and national awards. Started in 2007, NCMH is the state's first nonprofit dedicated to Modernist architecture.
- NCMH's website is the state's largest [open digital archive](#) of residential Modernist houses and architects, with crowd-sourced documentation 1,500 Modernist houses, past and present, built and unbuilt, of Milton Small, George Matsumoto, Frank Harmon, and 300 other NC architects. The site is used by state and national journalists nearly every day.
- NCMH produces more than [30 events a year](#), including Modernist [tours](#) across the Triangle, North Carolina, nationally, and internationally; monthly design networking happy hours called [Thirst4Architecture](#); and an [architectural film series](#).
- NCMH's members, called the [Mod Squad](#), share interests in Modernist houses, design, travel, food, and lifestyle.
- NCMH's three major initiatives advance Modernist architecture in North Carolina:
 - [The George Matsumoto Prize](#) encourages young architects, designers, and clients to continue North Carolina's Modernist heritage;
 - [Project BauHow](#) connects rural high school drafting students with the state's two major architecture universities through scholarship opportunities, site visits, and speakers;
 - [Legal Defense Fund](#) provides legal and technical assistance for endangered Modernist houses.
- In addition, NCMH created USModernist.org, America's largest [open digital archive](#) of residential Modernist houses and architects, documenting 6,500 Modernist houses, past and present, built and unbuilt, of 20th-century American residential design.
- The [US Modernist Radio](#) podcast engages conversation with fascinating people who own, sell, create, love, and hate Modernist architecture. Featured guests have included Paul Goldberger, Eric Lloyd Wright, Kelly Lynch, Eames Demetrios, Raymond Neutra, Susan Saarinen, Alexandra Lange, Nathaniel Kahn, Kate Wagner, and Sarah Susanka, and more.
- The USModernist [architecture magazine library](#) houses 2.1 million pages (6,000+ issues) of nearly every major US design magazine since 1891, full editions all downloadable, searchable, and with free access to the public.



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