

November 14-17, 2024



McCulloch Pavilion
265 S Orange Avenue

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many tour departures, and the MOD Shop!*

The Sarasota School of Architecture Reawakening

Evoking architect and author John Howey's "The Awakening" to describe the early 20th-century origins of the Sarasota School of Architecture, MOD Weekend 2024 presents the idea of a "Reawakening." Since the early 2000s and before, there has been a renewed interest in the region's highly innovative, contextually responsive, and often experimental architecture. The restoration of iconic structures like the Revere Quality and Umbrella Houses have added to this revival. Today, a new generation of designers is continuing and evolving core principles of the Sarasota School with a heightened focus on sustainability, resilience, and environmental adaptation.

Thursday November 14th

Downtown Sarasota Trolley Tour

Explore the development of Sarasota while visiting historic districts and emerging neighborhoods and learn about the city's distinct architectural and cultural heritage.



Morning Tour: 10:00am-12:00pm
Afternoon Tour: 1:30pm-3:30pm
Tickets: \$100 Members, \$125 Not-Yet Members
Meet: McCulloch Pavilion, 265 S Orange Avenue
[Click to buy tickets](#)

Main Street Walking Tour

Gain insight into the evolution of American architecture through the history and development of Sarasota's celebrated Main Street.



Morning Tour: 10:00am-12:00pm
Afternoon Tour: 1:30pm-3:30pm
Tickets: \$50 Members, \$60 Not-Yet Members
Meet: McCulloch Pavilion, 265 S Orange Avenue
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The Bay Architecture Walking Tour

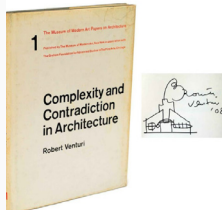
Explore the landmark and new buildings of The Bay and learn about efforts to redevelop and conserve the City's largest waterfront park.



Morning Tour: 10:00am-12:00pm
Afternoon Tour: 1:30pm-3:30pm
Tickets: Free for Members and Not-Yet Members
Meet: Blue Pagoda, 1055 Boulevard of the Arts
[Click to buy tickets](#)

American Modernism in the late 20th Century Keynote Lecture

Architectural Historian Dr. Barry Bergdoll will examine the shifts occurring in American modernism in the latter part of the 20th century.



Time: 6:00pm-7:00pm
Tickets: \$30 Members, \$40 Not-Yet Members
\$20 YoungModern / Student
Meet: St. Paul Lutheran Church, 2256 Bahia Vista Street
[Click to buy tickets](#)

Friday November 15th

Kayak Tour of North Siesta Key

Paddle past vintage and contemporary examples of the Sarasota School of Architecture and experience nature on this guided tour from Bayou Louise.



First Tour: 9:00am-11:00am
Second Tour: 12:00pm-2:00pm
Tickets: \$125 single, \$225 double Members
\$150 single, \$250 double Not-Yet Members
Meet: 101 Ogden Street, Siesta Key
[Click to buy tickets](#)

Sarasota Art Museum Campus Tour

Learn about the adaptive use of the 1920s Sarasota High School and its 1960s addition as the new Sarasota Art Museum.



Morning Tour: 10:00am-11:30am
Afternoon Tour: 1:30pm-3:00pm
Tickets: \$40 Members, \$50 Not-Yet Members
Meet: Courtyard of Sarasota Art Museum
[Click to buy tickets](#)

Spiritual Spaces Trolley Tour

Explore more than 70 years of Sarasota's modernist religious architecture and experience several of these spiritual spaces firsthand.



Morning Tour: 10:00am-12:30pm
Afternoon Tour: 1:30pm-4:00pm
Tickets: \$100 Members, \$125 Not-Yet Members
Meet: McCulloch Pavilion, 265 S Orange Avenue
[Click to buy tickets](#)

Opening Party: Sarasota School Reawakening

Enjoy nibbles, sip cocktails, listen to music, and join the general revelry in celebrating the launch of MOD Weekend's second decade.



When: 5:30pm-8:30pm; 6:30pm Remarks
Tickets: \$150 Members, \$175 Not-Yet Members
\$75 YoungModern / Student
Meet: McCulloch Pavilion, 265 S Orange Avenue
[Click to buy tickets](#)

Saturday November 16th

Perspectives on Preserving Modern Architecture and Design Symposium

Three experts present and debate varying philosophies and technical approaches to preserving modern architectural heritage and design.



When: 8:30am Breakfast; 9:00am-12:15pm Symposium
Tickets: \$50 Members, \$60 Not-Yet Members
\$25 YoungModern / Student
Meet: **Siesta Key Chapel, 4615 Gleason Avenue**
[Click to buy tickets](#)

Preserving the Sarasota School of Architecture Guided Tour

Join an insider tour of projects to document and conserve the legacy of the Sarasota School of Architecture. Boxed lunch included.



Tour: 1:15pm-3:30pm
Tickets: \$125 Members, \$150 Not-Yet Members
Meet: **Siesta Key Chapel, 4615 Gleason Avenue**
[Click to buy tickets](#)

South Gate Self-Guided Driving Tour

At your own pace, tour some of Sarasota's best examples of "Atomic Ranch" houses boasting breeze blocks, ornamental ironwork, period interior features, and furnishings.



Tour: 12:00pm-4:00pm
Tickets: \$75 Members, \$100 Not-Yet Members
\$50 YoungModern / Student
Meet: **3145 Southgate Circle**
[Click to buy tickets](#)

Sarasota Architecture Guided Boat Tour

Sip a cocktail as you cruise Sarasota Bay and learn about the city's history and architectural heritage from a boat.



When: 5:30pm-7:30pm
Tickets: \$130 Members, \$160 Not-Yet Members
Meet: **LeBarge Tropical Cruises, Marina Jacks**
[Click to buy tickets](#)

Sunday November 17th

Yoga Under the Umbrella

Hosted by Yoga From The Heart, inhale the salty air and you exhale your inhibitions under the shady Umbrella of our most Iconic Home.



Time: 10:00am-11:00am
Tickets: \$30 Members, \$40 Not-Yet Members
Meet: **Umbrella House, 1300 Westway Drive**
[Click to buy tickets](#)

Brunch with the Bunch: Sarasota School Next Generation

Join us at the Sarasota Art Museum for brunch and a moderated panel discussion with the "Next Generation" who have extended and evolved the principles and impact of the Sarasota School. Following Brunch, attendees will have the opportunity to go inside three contemporary examples of the Sarasota School on a self-guided driving tour.

The self-guided driving tour of contemporary examples of the Sarasota School is included in the ticket price.



Time: 10:00am-10:30am Brunch
10:30am-12:00pm Panel Discussion
12:00pm-2:00pm Self-Guided Driving Tour
Tickets: \$150 Members, \$175 Not-Yet Members
Meet: **Sarasota Art Museum, 1001 S Tamiami Trail**
[Click to buy tickets](#)

Lido Shores Self-Guided Walking Tour

Explore the iconic modern architecture of the Lido Shores neighborhood with exclusive access inside these modern marvels.



Tour: 1:00pm-5:00pm
Tickets: \$75 Members, \$100 Not-Yet Members
\$50 YoungModern / Student
Meet: **Umbrella House, 1300 Westway Drive**
[Click to buy tickets](#)

MOD Weekend Packages

VIP

Members: \$850
Not-Yet Members: \$1050

ULTIMATE

Members: \$550
Not-Yet Members: \$750

ESSENTIAL

Members: \$250
Not-Yet Members: \$425

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Preserving the Sarasota School of Architecture

Exhibition on display at McCulloch Pavilion, 265 S Orange Avenue
Monday through Friday from 10:00am-4:00pm during MOD Weekend

In 2008, the restoration of the 1956 Nokomis Beach Pavilion was completed in collaboration with the structure's original architect Jack West. At the dedication, West proclaimed "If the building makes sense, if it is going to be useful to the public, it ought to be saved." This project was a milestone as it was among the first postwar modern buildings to receive a grant from the Florida Division of Historical Resources, validating the need to preserve the state's modernist architectural heritage. Nokomis is one among a series of efforts to preserve the legacy of the Sarasota School of Architecture beginning as early as the 1980s with the largely reconstruction and landmarking of the 1950 Healey Guest ("Cocoon") House by Ralph Twitchell and Paul Rudolph. This exhibition documents projects to preserve the remaining buildings and places of the Sarasota School and examines how these projects contribute to a better understanding of the movement and inform contemporary design.



If you wait long enough, what is admired will be relegated to history's dustbin and if you wait even longer, it will be rescued and restored.

---Ada Louise Huxtable



Architecture Sarasota stewards the legacy of the Sarasota School of Architecture and provides a forum for the education, advocacy, and celebration of good design in the global built environment.



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