



## Your Invitation to Attend a Special Exhibit Opening

Thursday, July 9, 2009  
5:30 pm to 7:30 pm  
Architecture Center Houston  
315 Capitol, Suite 120

Exhibition Dates: July 10 - August 28

This exhibition hopes to create a greater understanding of the many threats to architecturally-significant Modern structures that lead to their destruction.

Nearly a dozen significant landmarks that face potential demolition or destruction are detailed with both historic information and current photographs. Learn how you can participate in saving these and other modern monuments.

*The exhibition is a collaborative project led by Houston Mod board member Monica Savino and includes the research and participation of the Houston Mod board and other local preservationists.*

*Houston Mod is grateful for the contributions of A&E – The Graphics Complex, AIA Houston, Architecture Center Houston, and BRAVE/ARCHITECTURE in making this exhibit possible.*



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***Houston Mod 2009 Architectural Exhibit***  
**Endangered Modern: The Real Story**  
**July 9 – August 28 / Architecture Center Houston**

Houston Mod presents its 4<sup>th</sup> architectural exhibition entitled Endangered Modern: The Real Story.

The exhibit will open with a public reception on July 9, 2009 from 5:30PM to 7:30PM. It will be held at the galleries of the Houston AIA / Architecture Center Houston, 315 Capital #120 and will run through August 28, 2009.

The exhibit aims to create a greater understanding of the threats to architecturally significant structures that ultimately lead to their destruction and loss.

Nearly a dozen significant modern architectural landmarks that face potential demolition or destruction are detailed with both historic information and current photographs.

Structures highlighted in the exhibit include:

- Harris County Domed Stadium
- The Prudential Building
- First Pasadena State Bank Tower
- University of Houston Student Life Plaza
- Alabama Theater
- Penguin Arms Apartments
- Memorial Bend neighborhood modern houses
- Riverside Terrace neighborhood modern houses
- Richmond Office Corridor (2900-3400 Richmond)

The exhibition will make use of architectural drawings, new and historic photographs, models, historic objects, and renderings. A complimentary brochure will provide additional photos and context.

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### **About Houston Mod**

Houston Mod is a nonprofit membership organization dedicated to promoting knowledge and appreciation of modern architecture and design in the Houston area. Houston Mod advocates the preservation of this cultural legacy and seeks support from its members and the general public in achieving this goal. Houston Mod's programs include exchange of information, documentation of cultural resources, lectures, publications, exhibitions, tours, and preservation advocacy. Houston Mod encourages all interested persons to join as members to advocate for the conservation and celebration of the modern design heritage of Houston and Texas. Founded in 2002, the organization has several hundred members and followers and has received critical acclaim in local publications including *Houston Chronicle*, *Houston Press*, *Paper City*, *Tribeza*, *Examiner* and *002 Magazine*. The group has also been noted in noted architectural journals including *Texas Architecture*, *Architectural Record*, and *Atomic Ranch*. More about Houston Mod can be found on the group's web site at [www.HoustonMod.org](http://www.HoustonMod.org)

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