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Cite Calendar

MARCH

MARCH 1 THROUGH APRIL 20

MFAH Exhibition:
Fabulously French: Haute Couture 1897-1996.

The Textile and Costume Institute's annual exhibition showcases the last century of trend-setting names in French fashions. Haute couture by Lanvin, Vionnet, Courrèges, Saint Laurent, Dior, Chanel, Givenchy, Bohan, and Balenciaga are all included. *For information, please call 713.639.7300.*

MARCH 20 — THURSDAY, 3 P.M.

UHCA Lecture:
Recent Work.
Doug Oliver and James Ray discuss their work. *Lecture theater, College of Architecture, University of Houston.* *For information, please call 713.743.2400.*

MARCH 26 — WEDNESDAY, 10 A.M.

Decorative Center Lecture:
Creating the Wealth Corner.
Johndennis Govert, author of *Feng Shui: Art and Harmony of Place*, will lecture on Feng shui, the ancient art of placement now influencing American design. The household wealth corner is the main energy collection spot. Placing your bed correctly can assure sound, restful sleep; the position of red flowers in a room can help a relationship flourish. *A seminar from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. (\$60; reservations required) will follow the lecture. 5120 Woodway at Sage.* *For information and reservations, please call 713.961.9292.*

MARCH 31 — MONDAY, 7 P.M.

UHCA Lecture:
Recent Work.
Aldo Rossi discusses his own work. *Atrium, College of Architecture, University of Houston.* *For information, please call 713.743.2400.*

APRIL

APRIL 4 THROUGH MAY 17

RDA Exhibition:
Houston Works: Exhibition of the Work of Houston Designers.
In collaboration with Lawndale Art & Performance Center, RDA has invited Houston design professionals to partici-

pate in an exhibition of their work at Lawndale. The show will provide an opportunity for the public to see a wide variety of built and unbuilt projects being designed in Houston today. *4912 Main Street.* *For information, please call 713.528.5858 or visit <http://riceinfo.rice.edu/projects/RDA>*

APRIL 4 THROUGH APRIL 5

RSA Symposium:
Architecture after Individualism.
For the Second Paul Kennon Memorial Symposium, 35 participants, including George Baird, Françoise Gaillard, Benjamin Gianni, Jean-Joseph Goux, Kevin Kennon, Greg Lynn, Bruce Mau, Kay Ngee, Allen Weiss, and Mabel Wilson will contribute papers in eight sessions: "Architecture and Liberty," "The Collective and the Procedural in Architecture," "Capital's Passions and Architecture's Geometries," "The Architect as Individual in Changing Economies," "The Place of the Individual in Work," "Signature and Identity in Architecture," "Public Infrastructure and the Formation of Communities," and "The Object of Architecture." *Friday and Saturday, Brown Auditorium, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston and Anderson Hall, Rice University.* *For information, please call 713.528.2759 or visit <http://www.ruf.rice.edu/arch>*

APRIL 7 — MONDAY, 5:30 TO 8:30 P.M.

MFAH Evening for Educators:
All About Architecture.
Museum director Peter C. Marzio and architectural historian Stephen Fox will discuss the museum campus and provide information for classroom use including activities and walking tours. *Cosponsored by Aldine ISD. Admission is \$3.50; registration not required.* *For information, please call 713.639.7590.*

APRIL 9 — WEDNESDAY, 8 P.M.

RDA Fireside Chat:
Towards a New Cultural Landscape in Québec
As part of the *Northern Lights* lecture series, Odile Hénault, a young Montreal architecture critic, will give an inside view of the Québécois architecture scene. *Sewall Hall, room 301, Rice University.* *For information, please call 713.527.4876 or visit <http://riceinfo.rice.edu/projects/RDA>*

APRIL 10 — THURSDAY, 7 P.M.

UHCA Colloquium:

The House of the Century Turns 25. Ant Farm architects Richard Jost and Doug Michels will join their client Marilyn Oshman, to discuss the futuristic ferro-cement weekend house on Lake Mojo in Brazoria County that turns 25 this year. *Lecture theater, College of Architecture, University of Houston.* For information, please call 713.743.2400. See also CiteSurvey in this issue (p. 7).

APRIL 15 — TUESDAY, 10 A.M. TO 5 P.M.

APRIL 16 — WEDNESDAY, 10 A.M. TO 5 P.M.

MFAH Exhibition:

Florescence: The Arts in Bloom. Floral and horticultural arrangements by prominent floral designers, garden club experts, and well-known Houston personalities. Cosponsored with the Garden Club of Houston and the River Oaks Garden Club. The flower show will be held at the MFAH, 1001 Bissonnet. Open to the public, free with museum admission. All proceeds benefit Bayou Bend. For information, please call 713.639.7538.

APRIL 17 — THURSDAY, 6:30 P.M.

AIAH Symposium:
Rebuilding Beirut.

An explanation of the master planning effort to reconstruct the central business district in Beirut. *Lecture theater, University of Houston, College of Architecture.* For information, please call 713.622.2081.

APRIL 19 — SATURDAY, 7 P.M. TO 12:00

AIAH Gala:
Celebrate Architecture.

Benefitting the Houston Architecture Foundation, the annual AIA, Houston Chapter gala and design awards program will be held at the Four Seasons Hotel. The 1997 Thomas Jefferson Award, celebrating inventive spirit, will be presented to Larry McMurtrey. For ticket information, please call 713.622.2081.

APRIL 23 — WEDNESDAY, 8 P.M.

RDA Lecture:
Recreating the Ranch

Atlanta architect Amy Aronson will lecture on American ranch-style houses and their renovation. The ranch-style house, which had its heyday just after World War

II, is newly eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. *Seawall Hall, room 301, Rice University.* For tickets, please call 713.527.4876 or visit <http://riceinfo.rice.edu/projects/RDA>

APRIL 26 — SATURDAY, 1 P.M. TO 5 P.M.

APRIL 27 — SUNDAY, 1 P.M. TO 5 P.M.

RDA Architecture Tour:
Rancheros Deluxe.

RDA's annual members-only architecture tour will look at the wide variety of ranch-style houses in Houston, including those at 3912 Roseneath Drive, 4216 Fernwood Drive, 3403 N. Parkwood Drive, 1802 Sunset Boulevard, 5330 Mandell, and 40 Tiel Way. Tickets \$10. Memberships available on the tour for \$35 and include complimentary tour tickets. For information, please call 713.527.4876 or visit <http://riceinfo.rice.edu/projects/RDA>

MAY

MAY 1 — THURSDAY, 6 P.M.

UHCA Summer Program:
Architecture for High School Students. Deadline for the June 16 – July 25 program, which will be held at the University of Houston. See CiteSurvey in this issue (p. 6). For information, please call 713.743.4000.

MAY 3 AND MAY 10 —
SATURDAYS, 10 A.M. TO 6 P.M.

MAY 4 AND MAY 11 —
SUNDAYS, 12 NOON TO 6 P.M.

GHF Tour:
Galveston Historic Homes.

Ten privately owned houses are featured on the 23rd annual tour. Advance tickets \$13 before May 2; \$15 at the door. For information, please call 409.765.7834.

MAY 6 — TUESDAY, 8 P.M.

RDA Lecture:
Bill Boswell Memorial Lecture. French designer Andrée Putman will lecture on her work, which includes the interiors of the Musée d'Art Contemporain de Bordeaux, the Morgans Hotel in New York, and the fashion boutiques of Ebel, Alaia, Lagerfeld, and Carita in Paris. Brown Auditorium, MFAH. For information, please call 713.527.4876 or visit <http://riceinfo.rice.edu/projects/RDA>

MAY 31 — SATURDAY, ALL DAY

AIAH Competition:
Sand Castle Competition.

This annual event will be held on Galveston's East Beach. For information, please call 713.622.2081.

SUMMER

JULY 8 — TUESDAY, 6 P.M.

Quilts, Inc. Exhibition:
Tactile Architecture 1997.

Deadline for entries to the 12th annual juried exhibition. Quilt designs must have an architectural motif expressing the artist's understanding of the exhibit's theme. The exhibition will be held in Houston in October 1997. There is a \$25 entry fee. For information, please call Catherine Purifoy at 713.781.6864, ext. 123.

FALL

SEPTEMBER 24 THROUGH OCTOBER 22

RDA Fall Lecture Series:
1900 to 2000, American Cities in the 20th Century.

This series will examine the dynamic changes that have occurred in American urbanism over the last 100 years, and the effects these changes have had on the architecture and physical nature of cities. For information, please call 713.527.4876.

NOVEMBER 14 — FRIDAY, 8 P.M.

RDA Gala:
Silver Jubilee.

RDA will celebrate its 25th anniversary with dinner, dancing, and a silent auction at the Petroleum Club. For information, please call 713.527.4876.

Cite Calendar now includes a wider range of design-related events in the Houston community. Please call 529-2483 to be included in our summer calendar, which will be published in Cite 38, June 1997.

Abbreviations for contributing organizations:
AIAH: American Institute of Architects, Houston
GHF: Galveston Historical Foundation
GHPA: Greater Houston Preservation Alliance
MFAH: Museum of Fine Arts, Houston
RDA: Rice Design Alliance
RSA: Rice School of Architecture
UHCA: University of Houston, College of Architecture

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