

Docent Guided Architectural Walking Tours



The Architects and Visionaries Who Built Palm Springs

When: Every Friday at 9:30 am from November 1, 2019 through April 2020.

Where: Tour begins at the Palm Springs Art Museum, at the bottom of the Museum stairs, 101 Museum Drive.

How long: 75-90 minutes.

Price: \$25 per person (includes admission to Palm Springs Art Museum and Architecture & Design Center) 14 persons maximum.

Join us for a half-mile stroll between two of Palm Springs' most iconic Desert Modern destinations: the Palm Springs Art Museum and the Architecture and Design Center, both envisioned by E Stewart Williams, one of the desert's most prolific and well-known architects.

This tour captures the essence of Palm Springs, starting with its early roots in the late 1800s, to the midcentury modern craze and the 21st century-vibe that's part of our culture today.

From our fabled pioneers, imaginative architects, and three powerful women who helped start it all, you'll be fascinated by our ever-changing glamorous resort that continues to be populated by artists, movie stars, wealthy business titans, the Agua Caliente Indians, and LA hipsters.

Book your tour:

<https://tickets.psmuseum.org/shows/the%20historic%20city%20center/events>

Midcentury Modern Icons & Their Architects

When: Every Saturday at 9:30 AM from November 2, 2019 through April 2020.

Where: Tour begins at the Union Bank, on the SE corner of Indian Canyon Drive and Ramon Road.

How long: 75-90 minutes.

Price: \$25 per person (includes admission to Palm Springs Art Museum and Architecture & Design Center) 14 persons maximum.

See the very best examples of midcentury modern architecture we walk along the town's main thoroughfare for banking and retail businesses. Learn how this stark yet beautiful landscape captured the imagination of a young and talented group of Desert Modern architects — the movers and shakers who shaped Palm Springs during the post-World War II Boom, and who created a body of internationally-recognized work during the heyday of the 1950s and 1960s. These buildings continue to draw people to Palm Springs from all over the world to admire and appreciate their innovative designs in our unique desert setting.

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