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Throughout the past year The Friends of Modern Architecture continued with its mission of raising public awareness of Modernist architecture through a variety of educational programs that included panel discussions, lectures, films, and tours of Lincoln's Modern homes. This year during Winter Carnival, we presented a film about the Philip Johnson house in New Canaan, Connecticut. On **May 15, Peter McMahon** from the Cape Cod Modern House Trust will speak at the Lincoln Library about architects who built homes on the outer Cape for themselves, their friends, and a community of internationally influential artists, writers, and thinkers. In **September**, we are planning a tour of the **Flansburgh house**, a 2,300 square foot, multi-faceted architectural gem that was built in Lincoln in 1963. We hope you will take advantage of these wonderful opportunities to learn more about American Modernism in Lincoln and beyond.

In addition to educational programs, last fall FoMA embarked on a collaboration with the faculty and students from the Boston Architectural College and the Public Archaeology Laboratory (PAL) to complete a survey of the Modern houses in Lincoln that was begun in 2007 for the Massachusetts Historical Commission. Only a small fraction of the more than 150 Modernist houses in Lincoln were inventoried at that time. Documentation of these structures, which is confined to the exteriors of the buildings, captures important basic information including original owner, architect, site description, building materials, and any other interesting historical facts, which can so easily be otherwise lost. This inventory supplements work done by the Lincoln Historical Commission that document Lincoln's older historic buildings, and will form part of a Massachusetts state-wide survey.

This time of year we conduct our yearly membership drive and ask that you join us in our efforts to educate about and preserve Lincoln's exceptional collection of Modernist architecture. Your support and contributions will enable us to continue providing programs for the public to enjoy and to further the important work of documenting the wide-range of Modernist architectural styles represented in Lincoln.

Please fill out the enclosed membership form and return with your check.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees of FoMA, we thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Dana Robbat, President
The Friends of Modern Architecture/Lincoln