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Julius Shulman: Palm Springs



Synopsis

Through Julius Shulman's lens, the architecture of Southern California became iconic images of modernism. His photographs heralded the glamor and casual elegance of a lifestyle and architecture that has become revered worldwide. Focusing on the desert paradise of Palm Springs, which was his seminal crucible, this book presents his masterpieces. Images range from Richard Neutra's Kaufmann House and Albert Frey's Raymond Loewy House, to Paul R. Williams' house for Lucille Ball and Desi Arnaz, Frank Sinatra's house, John Lautner's house for Bob Hope, as well as other famous landmarks. The book features more than sixty buildings by fifteen of the most notable mid-twentieth-century architects. With new photography and images culled from his personal collection as well as the Getty Center, this book includes many images never before seen.

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"For students of desert architecture, this book is a great addition to any collection....Shulman's work, his instinct for composition, use of natural light and passion for line and structure, is more enlightening than being in a classroom for several semesters." ~The Desert Sun
"No design buff should forgo this photographic masterpiece." ~LA Confidential
"An appreciative, informative text only adds to the fun of exploring this book, and it contains nuggets that will delight the reader..." ~Modernism Magazine

Michael Stern is a fine artist who creates large-scale illuminated photo-based artworks and installations. He curated the landmark exhibition "Julius Shulman: Palm Springs," which forms the basis of this book. He is the editor, designer, and curator of the Palm Springs Modern Committee's website. Alan Hess is an architect and architecture critic for the San Jose Mercury News, and author of numerous articles and books, including, for Rizzoli, Frank Lloyd Wright: The Houses, Frank Lloyd Wright: Prairie Style, Oscar Niemeyer Houses, and the forthcoming Frank Lloyd Wright: Mid-Century Modern.

For any modern architecture enthusiast, or Palm Spring lover, or a fan of great photography, or all, this is the book to purchase. What a magnificent collection of photos, both in color and Black and White. The most wonderful Palm Springs houses and their lavish landscapes are all covered in this tome, leaving you with a hankering desire to buy your own mid-century mod home in the Desert and move there for good. Do yourself a big favor and Just Buy It !!!!!Also, if after reading this one, you want to see more of Julius Shulman's gorgeous work, get yourself his "Modernism Revisited" masterpiece, which you will love as much as his Palm Springs book reviewed here.

A beautiful book loaded with pics and info.

Love this book. Went to PS for the first time. Took an Architecture Tour. Used this book as a Primer before the tour. Lots of information and interesting tidbits, plus the photography is gorgeous.

A fabulous book . Filled with all kinds of great original pictures from the period, of a lot of the great architectural gems of Palm Springs.

The book was new in perfect condition. Julius Shulman's photography and the authors detailed writing captured a cross section of the Mid-Century Modern Architecture of the 50's.

this item was a housewarming gift and is a great addition to any book lovers home! or anyone who loves palm springs as well, lovely!!!

If you love and appreciate Mid-century Modern Architecture, you will want to purchase this book. Julius Shulman was a genius photographer and his biography is a great read. Enjoy!

One of the best books I've ever seen if you are interested in great photos of Palm Springs California Modern. Micheal Stern knows how to show it off !

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