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## AN EXCLUSIVE PEEK INSIDE SOME OF LA'S MOST NOTABLE HOMES Presenting the AIA/LA 2006 Beverly Hills Spring Home Tour + Architects' Forum



Larry Scarpa - Redelco Residence  
Photo by Marvin Rand



Callas Shortridge Architects - Carla Ridge Residence  
Photo by Art Gray

Los Angeles (February 2006) - Come discover (or be reminded) why Los Angeles has long been considered one of the country's seminal cities for residential architecture. The American Institute of Architects/Los Angeles (AIA/LA) invites Angelinos and visitors to the city to participate in the organization's **Spring 2006 Beverly Hills Home Tour**, featuring stunning, contemporary homes by Los Angeles's leading architects and designers. This season's much-anticipated roster of homes promises to prove memorable. In addition, the AIA/LA is pleased to announce an evening with the featured homes' architects prior to the home tour. **The Architects' Forum** provides a truly unique opportunity to hear first-hand about the creative process behind each project - the challenges and solutions that make each of these beautiful homes exceptional.

### Featured Homes and Architects

Boxenbaum Residence - Steven Ehrlich, FAIA, Steven Ehrlich Architects  
Beuth Residence - Zoltan Pali, FAIA, SPF:architects  
Redelco Residence - Larry Scarpa, AIA, Pugh + Scarpa  
Carla Ridge Residence - Callas Shortridge Architects

**Architects' Forum**  
**Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>**  
**6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.**

Hosted by SPF:architects  
8609 E. Washington Blvd. Culver City, CA 90232  
Event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

RSVP to AIA/LA by Tuesday April 11<sup>th</sup> at 213.639.0777  
or email [info@aialosangeles.org](mailto:info@aialosangeles.org)

**Beverly Hills Home Tour**  
**Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
**11 a.m. - 4 p.m.**  
Self-guided tours  
Homes open 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Price per person (non-member): \$75  
Price per person (AIA member): \$65

For tickets: Call 213.639.0777 or visit [www.aialosangeles.com](http://www.aialosangeles.com)

\*Tickets and driving directions will be mailed out one week prior to the event.

### **90210 - What's in a zip code?**

Secluded on private streets, surrounded by nature and opening onto dramatic vistas, sustainable and contemporary, these homes represent Beverly Hills at its architectural best. Below is a brief overview of what participants will enjoy.

**Boxenbaum Residence:** Situated on a sloping corner lot, the house is a dance of cubic volumes, vertical stucco masses and floating roof planes that reinforce the direct and open nature of the floor plan. The home functions as both a residence and a gallery for the work of the noted resident artist. Large wall expanses bathed in ambient light provide an ideal environment for showcasing art. The residence has been featured in *Los Angeles Magazine*, *Tabypet*, *GA Houses 90* and will in the pages of next month's *Interior Design*.

**Beuth Residence:** Perched on a steep, nearly 45-degree grade, the House on Blue Jay Way has become a Los Angeles icon, featured in movies (*Kiss Kiss Bang Bang*), TV series (*Night Stalker*), and prominent fashion publications throughout the world. The residence features a crisp concrete plinth base of two levels, a top level with bedrooms, clad in teak plywood, and a transparent glass level sandwiched between the two, offering 180-degree views from the Getty to downtown Los Angeles. The 9,200 square foot residence features 3 bedrooms, a fully-stocked bar and DJ club, gourmet kitchen, screening room, entry pool, wine cellar, weight room, and office. The home has been featured in the *Los Angeles Times*, *Interior Design*, *SPACES* magazine, among others.

**Redelco Residence:** Faced with the challenge of designing a new home on the footprint of a partially constructed residence abandoned seven years earlier, the architects created an airy pavilion-like structure which allowed the client to take advantage of a restricted building area while capturing extraordinary views. Once inside, the sheer drama of the space becomes immediately evident - soaring ceilings, spare geometry, and impeccable proportions. Framing the panoramic view, 22' high sliding glass doors dematerialize the walls of the living area, allowing the interior and exterior to become one. Unexpected details and finishes add texture and warmth to this strikingly sophisticated home.

**Carla Ridge Residence:** Formerly the hip pad of "The Tonight Show" producer Freddy DeCordova and designed by Rex Lotery, the residence was given over to the team of Callas Shortridge to add to the structure's implicit forward-thinking presence without stripping away the original mass, form, and finish. The harmony between old and new, was achieved by first approaching what were obvious discordant elements and then bonding finishes and materials

that might have been part of the original. The authenticity of the result rises, in part, from insightful ideas for remodeling, balanced by an eye for requisite renovation.

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