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September Conference Celebrates Masters of Modern Landscape Design

Whether they created public plazas or private retreats, each of the eight landscape architects featured in the upcoming LALH conference "[Masters of Modern Landscape Design](#)" asserted a distinct artistic vision. What they shared, from Dan Kiley and Garrett Eckbo to Ruth Shellhorn and Lawrence Halprin, was assertiveness itself—the boldness to break with Beaux Arts tradition and embrace designs they believed were relevant to the modern condition.

On September 28 and 29, LALH convenes prominent scholars from all over the country at the Indianapolis Museum of Art to introduce their recent work on eight modern landscape architects:

Jane Amidon on Dan Kiley
Dean Cardasis on James Rose
Kelly Comras on Ruth Shellhorn
Kenneth Helphand on Lawrence Halprin
JC Miller on Robert Royston
David Streatfield on Garrett Eckbo
Marc Treib on Thomas Church
Thaisa Way on A. E. Bye

Each of the conference speakers is also the author of a forthcoming LALH monograph in a new book series exploring the career, major works, and legacy of a modernist master. W.W. Norton will distribute the volumes in the Masters of Modern Landscape Design series internationally.

[Register for the conference now online](#), or call the IMA at 317-955-2339. The \$200 registration fee includes continental breakfast and lunch for both days, as well as special tours of [Oldfields: The J. K. Lilly, Jr. Estate](#) at the IMA, and Dan Kiley's masterpiece, the [Miller House and Garden](#) in Columbus. [Click here to see the full schedule of events](#).

Professional development hours will be offered to members of the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA): 9 PDHs – LA CES approved.

Generously hosted by the IMA, the conference is sponsored by the [Library of American Landscape History](#). The LALH mission is to foster understanding of the fine art of landscape architecture and appreciation for North America's richly varied landscape heritage through LALH books, exhibitions, and online resources. Visit www.lalh.org to learn more.