

Mod mojo

THE mod squad is celebrating one of Houston's finest mid-century architects with an exhibit that opens Thursday.

The Houston-born Hugo V. Neuhaus, who attended Harvard's Graduate School of Design and worked briefly with Philip Johnson, is known for his precise vision and understated elegance. Following the "less is more" mantra of Mies van der Rohe — the German-born architect whose use of glass and steel influenced countless designers on both sides of the Atlantic — Neuhaus created buildings with crisp lines, floor-to-ceiling windows and nearly seamless transitions from indoors to out.

Among Neuhaus' best-preserved Houston spaces: the Lazy Lane house he built for his own family, now the home of Robert and Mica Mosbacher.

Presented by Houston Mod, a nonprofit devoted to modern architecture and design, the exhibit features drawings, photographs, models, renderings and recorded interviews with Neuhaus' clients and associates.

■ **What:** *Hugo V. Neuhaus Jr.: Residential Architecture, 1949-65*

■ **Where:** Architecture Center Houston, 315 Capitol, Suite 120

■ **When:** Opens Thursday. 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays through Sept. 28

■ **Cost:** Free

■ **Information:**

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