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Summer Research Opportunity

Wanted: Docomomo US/WEWA seeks a Summer Researcher and writer to contribute to the knowledge base of mid-century modern designers in the Pacific Northwest. Past summer programs have focused on Benjamin McAdoo, Jr., first Black architect registered in WA State (2021), and significant Women in Design (2022). This summer, research will focus broadly on highlighting Asian American designers in the Pacific Northwest and their impact.

Docomomo US/WEWA (Documentation and Conservation of the Modern Movement, Western Washington) is a non-profit preservation advocacy organization that promotes appreciation and awareness of Modern architecture and design through education and outreach.

The Summer Researcher will take an active role in selecting specific research project, engage in activities like digital and archival research, locating properties, photographing selected buildings and landscapes, connecting with community and professional partners, resource collection, presentation of material and writing.

Deliverables include*:

1. Written Property Reports
2. Written Biographies
3. Public Presentation of Research (virtual) in Fall 2023
4. Blog post for Docomomo US/WEWA website

*Specific Deliverables may change based on specific research topic selected.

Qualifications:

Good Communication: Ability to synthesize information from multiple sources to create presentation materials, ability to present information to a diverse audience.

Organizational: Ability to prioritize tasks, understands resource collection techniques and can categorize architecture documentation.

Research: Familiar with research techniques including information retrieval methods from a variety of library, archival and publication sources and citation methods.

Self-Motivated: Able to work independently, with regular progress meetings.

Applicants should be students within the College of Built Environments and have an interest in the architectural history of the Northwest. Position will begin with the Summer quarter (mid-June), and consist of hourly employment of approximately 10 hours per week for a 10-week

period, at \$25/hr (\$2,500 total). As the sponsor of this research opportunity, there will be a letter agreement between Docomomo US/WEWA and the Summer Researcher.

Interested students should email Tyler Sprague (tyler2@uw.edu) for more information. Applicants should send with a short description of their qualifications and interest in this project to Tyler Sprague (tyler2@uw.edu).

Learn more about the organization: www.docomomo-wewa.org