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AIA San Francisco and the Center for Architecture + Design present
San Francisco Living: Home Tours

(SAN FRANCISCO, CA) July 25, 2018 -- Presented during the Architecture + the City festival, AIA San Francisco and the Center for Architecture + Design, San Francisco Living: Home Tours will feature behind-the-scenes tours of five homes by leading Bay Area architects on Saturday, September 22, 2018.

“By providing unique opportunities to engage and learn more about architecture and its impact on our everyday lives, the Architecture + the City festival encourages curious minds to experience design and advance the conservation about its evolving role in the future of the built environment,” says AIASF and Center for Architecture + Design, Executive Director Jennifer Jones.

Kicking off from Home Tours Headquarters at Cambria Gallery, participants will explore some of the latest residential projects from the inside out, meet design teams, explore housing trends, and discover innovative design solutions that inspire unique San Francisco living. The five homes featured this year represent a collection of designs specific to the San Francisco lifestyle.

Clarendon Heights Home
Architect: John Maniscalco Architecture | www.m-architecture.com

Situated at one of the highest points in San Francisco, this completely reinvented home took a generic box built in the '70s and transformed it into a site-specific dynamic composition which optimizes on sweeping views through a series of subtractive gestures.

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Cole Valley Residence
Architect: Dumican Mosey Architects | https://dumicanmosey.com

A small, oddly-shaped, steep down-sloping vacant lot (only 1350 square feet) in the Cole Valley neighborhood of San Francisco created considerable design challenges for a new home. The reward for transcending these obstacles were expansive views to the north, west, and to the Pacific Ocean beyond. Photo Credit: © Cesar Rubio Photography

Laidley Cottage
Architect: Red Dot Studio | www.reddotstudio.com

Originally, this home was an existing rear-yard cottage. In the redesign, additional square footage was modest and focused on right-sizing property to the site while adding new building systems and daylit design. Photo Credit: © Jake Stangel

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Nordic Victorian in the Mission
Architect: Mork Ulnes Architects | www.morkulnes.com

Incorporating expansive, generous space into this 1907 San Francisco Victorian's attic required significant volumetric intervention to produce continuity in an otherwise traditionally segmented home.

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Potrero Hill Home
Architect: Sidell Pakravan Architects | www.sidellpakravan.com

This project is a major renovation to the owner's unit on the third floor of a San Francisco apartment building that includes, a penthouse addition, explores the insertion of two volumes into the space and how the volumes create a relationship between form, program, and urban context.

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As the first tour series in the Bay Area to promote residential design from the architect's point of view, this popular event showcases a variety of architectural styles, neighborhoods and residences, including single-family homes, multi-family complexes, affordable housing and contemporary renovations.

“San Francisco is recognized as a leader and investor in the future sustainable urban environment. I look forward to having new partners join us in the conversation as we continue to work towards a strong future for our city,” says Center for Architecture + Design Board President Kamala Subbarayan.

San Francisco Living: Home Tours takes place every year as part of the annual Architecture + the City festival, one of the nation's largest architectural festivals of its kind.

For more information and to purchase tickets visit www.archandcity.org/sfht18

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As one of the first centers of its kind on the West Coast, the Center for Architecture + Design creates positive change in communities throughout the San Francisco Bay Area by facilitating interdisciplinary dialogue and encouraging innovative design both locally and internationally through exhibitions, lectures, tours, film series and other programs that aim to reveal the richness of the design arts.