

GOLDSTEIN MUSEUM OF DESIGN

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Leonard Parker: An Architect's Architect

March 17 – May 6, 2012, Reception March 23 6-8pm
HGA Gallery, Rapson Hall, Minneapolis Campus

Leonard Parker's contribution to the College of Design's School of Architecture and Twin Cities' architecture is virtually unparalleled. In a career that included several decades of teaching in the School of Architecture, Parker showed generations of students not only how to become skilled designers, but also how to work in ways that would help ensure their own success in the profession.

Parker was also counted among the most prominent architects in the Twin Cities, establishing successful architecture firm The Leonard Parker Associates (TLPA) in 1958. TLPA designed many functional and handsome Minnesota landmarks, some of which include the University of Minnesota Law School (1978), the Minneapolis Convention Center (1989 & 2002), and the Minnesota Judicial Center (1998).

Linda Mack noted in a StarTribune article after Parker's passing, "Parker's death signals the end of an era. He was one of the young Modernists who shaped postwar Minnesota. Along with his peers James Stageberg, Bruce Abrahamson and John Rauma and their mentor Ralph Rapson (all deceased), he studied with the European giants who brought the International Style to America. Form follows function was their mantra. Architecture was their love."

Hanging on a wall in his office are many personal quotes, one of which reads, "Find out what you're here to do. Do the best you possibly can. And do it all the time." He was an inspiration to the lives that he touched, and continues to inspire architecture through his lasting legacy.

Please join us in celebrating Leonard Parker's life, work, and legacy.

Curator

Jim Dozier, GMD Exhibition Coordinator

Reception

March 23 6-8pm, HGA Gallery
co-sponsored by the College of Design School of Architecture, AIA Minnesota, and the Goldstein Museum of Design



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General Information

The Goldstein Museum of Design (GMD), part of the University of Minnesota's College of Design, supports teaching and research in design through exhibitions, publications, programs, and community partnerships. GMD celebrates diverse cultures through its collections and programs by promoting the appreciation and interpretation of design within social, cultural, aesthetic, and historic contexts.

Visitor Info

The HGA Gallery is on the lobby of Rapson Hall, 89 Church, Minneapolis, MN 55455.

Hours

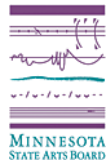
Tuesday - Friday 9:00am-6:00pm
Saturday & Sunday 1:00pm-5:00pm
Closed all University holidays

Admission and Parking

Gallery admission is FREE. Parking is available in the Church Street Ramp at 80 Church Street SE at a rate of \$3.00 per hour up to a daily maximum of \$12.00. Sundays parking is free (except for special events). The Ramp and Rapson Hall are both handicapped accessible.

Public Transit

For bus information, call (612) 373-3333



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