



# **Aaron G. Green**

## **Organic Architecture Beyond Frank Lloyd Wright**

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- The complete works of Aaron G. Green with never-before-seen archival images and drawings showing the career of this Frank Lloyd Wright protégé

In the early 1940s, Aaron Green became a member of Frank Lloyd Wright's apprentice group, the Taliesin Fellowship. He maintained a close relationship with Frank Lloyd Wright over the next twenty years. At the request of Frank Lloyd Wright, Aaron Green established a San Francisco office in 1951, both for his own practice and as Mr. Wright's West Coast Representative. Aaron Green participated in over thirty Frank Lloyd Wright projects and was appointed by Frank Lloyd Wright as associated architect for the Marin County Civic Center Project.

The highlight of his career occurred in 1999 when he won a national competition to design a visionary open-to-the-world private high school in Greensboro, North Carolina, on a 100-acre wooded site with a 25-acre lake. The project infrastructure includes the largest single loop geothermal system in the world.

Shortly before his passing, Aaron Green was awarded the 1st gold medal by the Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation in recognition of his career and accomplishments and dedication to organic architecture. When asked who Aaron Green was, Wright commented, "Aaron Green is my son."

Randolph C. Henning, a practicing architect living in Lewisville, North Carolina, is the author of *The Architecture of Alfred Browning Parker*, *Frank Lloyd Wright's Taliesin*, and *At Taliesin* plus numerous articles published in a variety of architectural journals. He graduated from the University of Florida in 1976 and earned his Master of Architecture degree in 1980 from the Graduate School of Architecture & Urban Planning at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Henning is also an officer of the Organic Architecture + Design Archives, Inc., a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation which publishes the *Journal of Organic Architecture + Design*. Allan Wright Green is Aaron Green's son. He has degrees in fine art and design, and has worked as a graphic designer and art director for clients all over the world. Jan Novie attended Clarkson College of Technology in Potsdam NY. He joined the firm of Aaron G. Green FAIA Architects and Planners in San Francisco in early 1965. It was to be a critical and extraordinary turning point in his life as this part time position would lead to a lifetime career in "organic architecture" with Aaron Green serving as his mentor. After Aaron Green's passing, Jan became president of the firm.