Note Change of Opening Date from October 29 to November 11, 2010

The Importance of Drawing: Ralph Rapson’s Legacy
November 11– January 9, 2011
Opening Reception: Thursday November 11, 7-9 PM
Curatorial Walk-through: 7:30 PM
HGA Gallery, Rapson Hall
89 Church Street SE, Minneapolis

Curated by Jim Dozier, HGA Gallery exhibition coordinator and lecturer, School of Architecture, College of Design

Ralph Rapson had a profound influence on architecture. One of his most admired skills – besides designing outstanding, humanistic architecture – is his exceptional ability to draw.

This exhibition features examples of Rapson’s work in addition to that of many of his Minnesota colleagues and students. The “Minnesota Style,” as it has been called, includes characteristically Rapsonian qualities across the work: strong use of line to define three dimensional form; absolute mastery of the use of shade and shadow to define these forms and given them materiality; and buildings and landscapes populated by believable characters of all shapes and sizes, ages and gender and nationality. Above all, the style that Rapson championed enlivens the design that is presented and engages the viewer in the theater of life that with which architecture is concerned.

Sponsored by HGA Architects and Engineers
Special Event: Rendezvous with the U
Thursday November 11, 2010 6-9 PM

6-7 PM Rendezvous with the U lecture: “How Architecture Shapes Behavior”
100 Rapson Hall

7-9 PM Opening Reception: The Importance of Drawing: Ralph Rapson’s Legacy
7:30 Curatorial Walk-through
HGA Gallery and ALA Library, Rapson Hall

7-9 PM Opening Reception: Sustainable Shelter: Dwelling within the Forces of Nature
Bell Museum of Natural History, 10 Church St SE, Minneapolis

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 in the lobby and the Architecture and Landscape Architecture Library is on the second floor of Rapson Hall, 89 Church St., Minneapolis, MN 55455.

HGA Gallery and Library Hours (Fall Semester Hours)
Monday - Thursday  9:00 am-9:00 pm
Friday  9:00 am-6:00 pm
Saturday, Sunday  1:00 pm-5:00 pm

Admission is free. Parking is in the Church Street Ramp at 80 Church Street SE. Public parking is available at a rate of $3 per hour up to a daily maximum of $12.00. Parking is free on Sundays (except for special events). The Ramp and Rapson Hall are both handicapped accessible.

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