



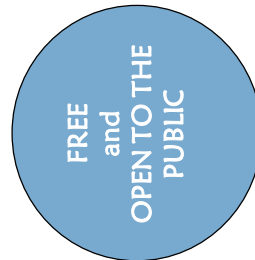
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## *Celebrating Tempe's Sesquicentennial 1871 – 2021*



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October 14, 2020  
**JAY MARK**

**“Tempe Lost & Found:  
 A Sesquicentennial Retrospective”**

150 years ago Charles Trumbull Hayden began building a new life in a new community he helped found. Much has changed since then. Writer & historian Jay Mark looks back 150 years in a special presentation. Jay has dug into the Tempe History Museum’s archives to unearth scarce photos that tell Tempe’s story!

*Jay Mark has been actively involved in Tempe since 1973. He has written nearly 800 local history columns for the AZ Republic, and regularly contributes to the Antiques Register and Arizona Contractor and Community. He has also presented for the Arizona Humanities Council’s AZ Speaks program.*



November 18, 2020  
**MARK VINSON**

**“From Tee Pees to the House of the Future:  
 Midcentury Architecture of Tempe & the East Valley”**

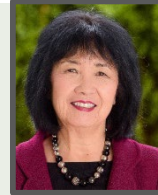
Due to explosive growth in the middle of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, many new buildings of various styles were built in Tempe, as well as the entire East Valley. Known as “Midcentury Modern” these buildings formed the landscape in which many of us grew up, went to school, and worked. Here Mark Vinson looks at many of these memorable structures which have become an important part of our sense of community.

*Mark Vinson is a Fellow in the American Institute of Architects and a Certified Planner. He is the former City Architect and founding Historic Preservation Officer for the City of Tempe.*

October - November

January 13, 2021

**DR CHRISTINE  
 WILKINSON**  
 2020 Tempe Legend



**“ASU as a New American Model University”**

The evolution of ASU as it is today-the charter, the goals and the role it plays as Tempe’s university, and for many in the audience, their alma mater.

*Dr. Wilkinson is Senior Vice President, Secretary of the University, ASU Alumni Assoc. President/CEO; and Managing Director, Trustees of ASU. She is a Board member of Valley of the Sun United Way, SARRC, AZ Business Leaders Assoc., Pat Tillman Foundation, Japanese American Natl Museum, Wells Fargo Bank Community Advisory Council, and more. She was recognized as Arizona Women’s Hall of Fame first Living Legacy in Education, Don Carlos Humanitarian Award winner, and Tempe Chamber Woman of the Year.*



February 10, 2021

**DAN HARKINS**  
 2020 Tempe Legend

**“Reliving Tempe 1933 – 1993”**

**Stories, Memories, and Dreams From Yester-Year**

Heir at 21 of his father, Red Harkins’ five theaters, Dan, already general manager, developed what today are 500 screens in Arizona and other states. An industry trailblazer for innovation, digital sound, plush seating and gourmet snack bars. Renovated Valley Art Theater in downtown Tempe, is the original Harkins theater.

*Dan is an unprecedented 3-time recipient of the nationally coveted Showman of the Year. He earned the 1998 AZ Business Leadership Award and the 1999 Entrepreneur of the Year award.*

January - February



March 10, 2021  
**ASU SCHOOL OF  
 EARTH & SPACE  
 EXPLORATION**

In 1885, Tempe was chosen as the site for a Territorial Normal School for teachers. Arizona State University was established in 1958. Since the beginning, ASU has played a major role in Tempe’s history. Both have grown, sharing many accomplishments. Foremost in ASU academics is the “ASU School of Earth & Space Exploration” (SESE), which brings together all disciplines of Earth and space science, breaking traditional disciplinary boundaries to ask the biggest questions in science, technology, engineering and beyond. SESE brings together the brightest minds to understand Earth and space through authentic research. Here we will highlight several of SESE’s past and current missions with NASA, geological discoveries, engineering advances, and what to expect in the future.



April 14, 2021  
**DON RYDEN, AIA**

**“The Lives & Legacies of Kemper Goodwin,  
 FAIA and Michael Goodwin, FAIA”**

Born and raised in mid-century Phoenix and educated at ASU, Don Ryden is a dedicated design professional who tirelessly integrates architecture, planning, and historic preservation. In 1994, his achievements were recognized by the State of Arizona through the Governor’s Merit Award for Historic Preservation.

*As the founding president and principal architect of Ryden Architects, Don’s firm was honored as AIA AZ Firm of the Year 2008. In 2012 he was presented with the AIA AZ Architects Medal for his contributions to the community and the profession. As a scholar, author, and illustrator, he is featured in the book ‘Midcentury Marvels: Commercial Architecture of Phoenix 1945-1975.*

March - April