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Exploring Beauty Through the Architecture and Life of Frank Lloyd Wright

Racine – The Racine Public Library is pleased to present, “Can We Really Be at Home in the World?—the Architecture and Life of Frank Lloyd Wright.” This richly illustrated talk by New York City architects Dale Laurin and Anthony Romeo will take place Tuesday, July 14, 2009, at 1 PM and again at 6:30 PM at Racine Public Library, 75 Seventh Street, Racine, WI. The public is invited to this free presentation.

Frank Lloyd Wright (1867-1959) is more esteemed and his architecture more loved than ever today, a half century after his last project was completed in 1959. This talk will present the new education that answers the questions: “What makes for beauty in a work of architecture, and what does this have to do with our lives, our selves?” Learn why Wright’s designs—such as the Robie House and Unity Temple in Chicago, and his Wisconsin masterpieces: the Johnson Wax Building in Racine and his own home, Taliesin—are beautiful, and why they have so much meaning for people today.

Anthony Romeo, AIA, is Director of Capital Projects for Queens Library, and Dale Laurin, RA, is a team leader in the NYC Department of Design and Construction (DDC). Each has over 25 years of professional architectural experience, including, in Mr. Romeo’s instance, as founding principal of Anthony Romeo Architects, P.C., and in Mr. Laurin’s, as an associate for Hillier Architecture. They are both on the faculty of the City University of New York’s (CUNY) College of Technology, where they teach architectural history.

This talk was originally given in the series titled *Architecture and You*, which Mr. Romeo, Mr. Laurin, and other speakers have presented at numerous public libraries, DDC, the Italian Cultural Institute (NJ), the Artists Talk on Art Series at the School of Visual Arts, and the Hawaii International Conference on Arts and Humanities. Several of these talks are published on www.BeautyofNYC.org. Mr. Laurin and Mr. Romeo have also spoken, with city planner Barbara Buehler and Emmy award-winning filmmaker Ken Kimmelman,

on the subject of *Housing: A Basic Human Right!* at the national convention of the American Institute of Architects and at conferences at NYU, Vassar, Harvard, and other colleges and universities. www.HousingaRight.org.

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