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" " " (to Color and Condition)				.50
HAIR SPRAY				.30
HI-LIGHTING (Color & TINT PRICE plus SH. & SET)				
" " " (2 Bleach or 1/2 Bleach & 1/2 BLEACH PRICE plus SH. & SET)				
COMB OUTS (Front Hair (SPRAY INC))				.35
" " " (Long Hair)				.75
NAPE CURLS (SH. & SET INC.)				1.25
WAX AND LARD OIL AND OIL				

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HAIR CONDITIONING TREAT.  
Zinc, Sulfur, Milk Lip or Vaseline

\$1.00 \$1.00 \$1.25  
per SH. & SET



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## Robinson BEAUTY SCHOOLS

FT. LAUDERDALE, FLA. "The Venice of America"  
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A corner of the spacious Minneapolis Lake Street School where students work in the same surroundings and with the same modern equipment they will find in today's modern Beauty Salons.



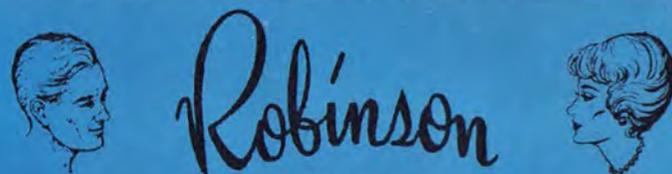
The selling and care of wigs is an important phase in beauty training. Women really like them. Here is the Wig Salon in the Minneapolis Lake Street School.



A section of the Minneapolis Lake Street School where advanced students "learn by doing," serving the public under supervision of expert instructors.



A visit with the housemother at one of the Minneapolis dorms.



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Accredited and Approved



A corner of the Minneapolis Campus Beauty School Clinic where students get the valuable actual experience they need to assure their success in the fabulous Beauty World.



A rare American (?) — A Beattle fan. This unusual girl shown in her Minneapolis dorm room even has a collection of Beattle records.

[Ramona Hadrath Collection]

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*This is the reception room in the new Florida School, modern as tomorrow.*



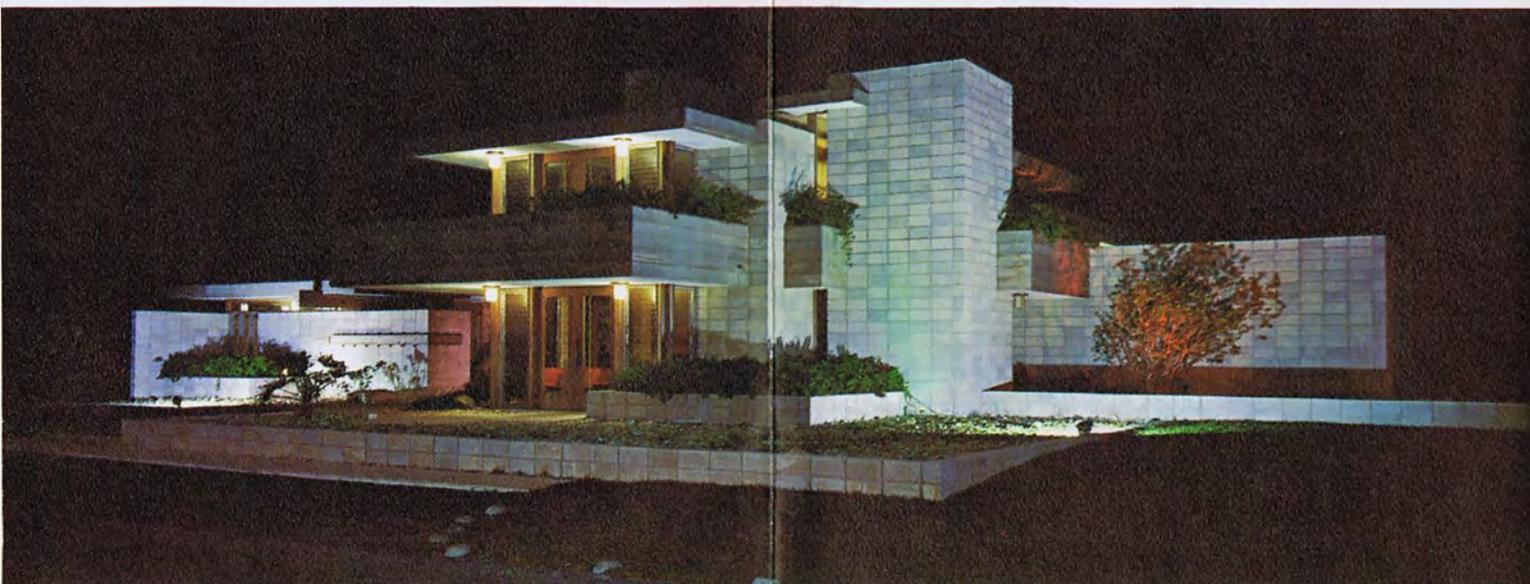
*The beautiful modern Florida dorm, with many individual housekeeping units, complete to the last detail.*



*An interior view of one of the units in the Florida dorm — a perfect home away from home.*



*In all the dorms, pets are always welcome — plush pets that is, usually in way-out colors.*



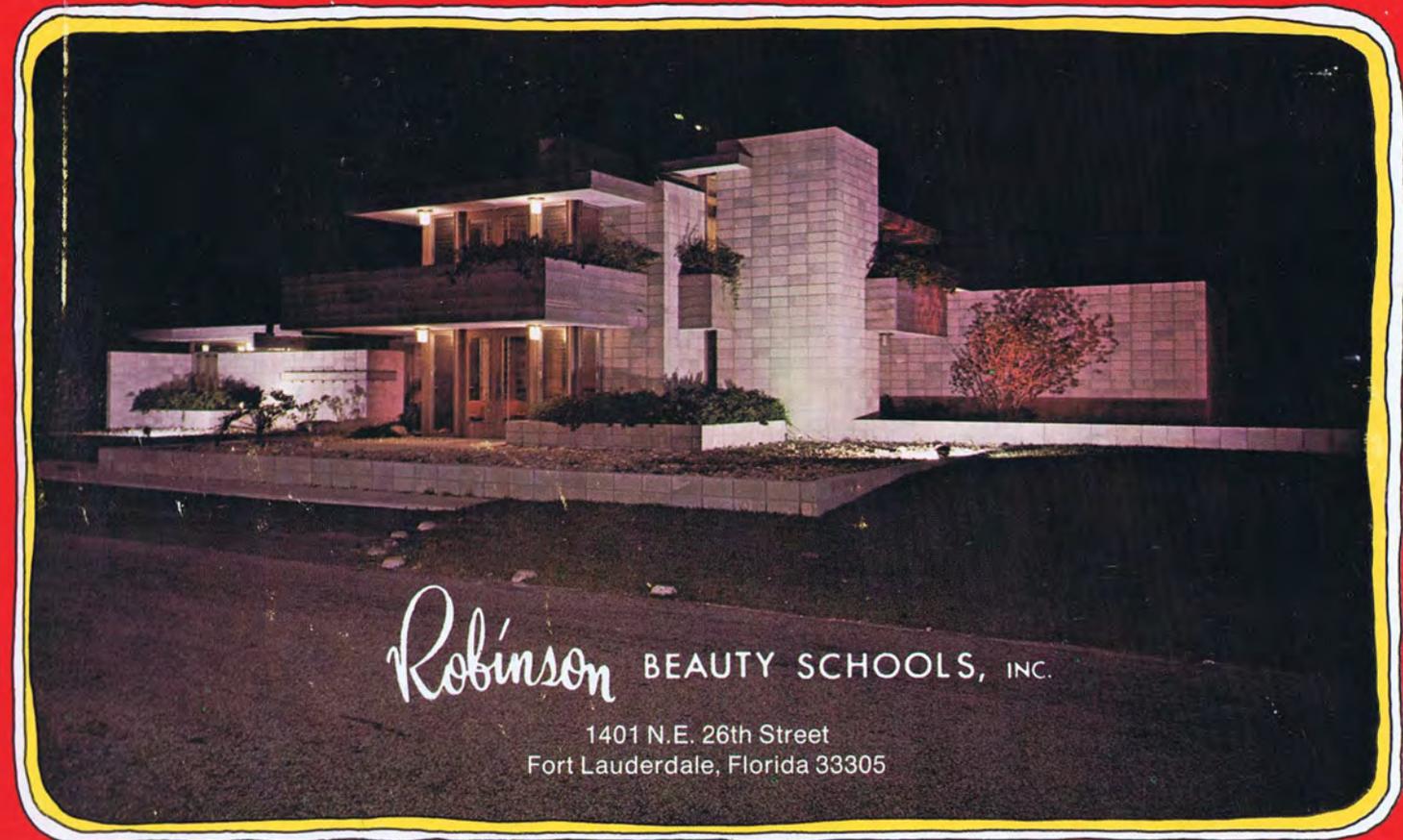
*This is a dramatic night view of the new Robinson School and Professional Salon in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. Visitors from all over the nation are lavish in their praise of this unusual edifice. Also student instructor training course available.*



*Imagine, if you can, the thrill and comfort of outdoor patio classrooms. Glass walls can be closed up for inclement weather, but those days are few and far between in Florida!*



*A view of the spacious luxurious clinic department in the lovely new Florida School. Note the wealth of up-to-the-minute equipment.*



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Robinson Schools are accredited by  
the Cosmetology Accrediting Commission,  
the agency recognized by the U.S. Office of  
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in the field of education for Cosmetology.



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National Association of Cosmetology Schools  
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included in this Brochure at any time.

DORIS ROBINSON  
President



Vol. 1, 1978

Thank you for the opportunity to inform you of our training program in Cosmetology.

A visit to one of our schools will allow you to view, firsthand, our students currently  
learning while using the latest equipment under the close supervision of qualified  
instructors.

Upon graduation these students will join thousands of previous graduates who  
for the past forty years have looked upon their experiences at Robinson's Beauty  
School with pride and affection.

We extend an open invitation to you to visit our schools.

*Doris Robinson  
John Steffan*



JOHN STEFFAN  
Vice President

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## history

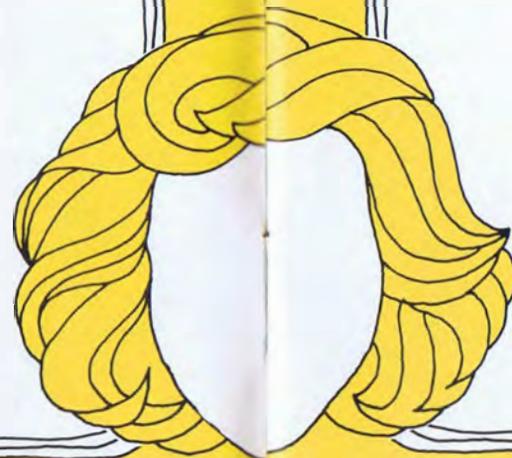
Robinson's Beauty School was established in 1935 by Doris Robinson near the University of Minnesota Campus in Minneapolis. Her main objectives were to provide a service to the community, while at the same time, teaching students a creative profession that would insure their future.

Our current schools are designed expressly to teach Cosmetology in a modern, attractive atmosphere under the supervision of skilled and dedicated instructors.

In 1968 Mr. John Steffan brought to Robinson's his talents and ideas of a new generation, to combine with Ms. Robinson's experience and tradition of sound teaching methods. Graduates benefit from this unique combination which makes them well prepared to enter the field of Cosmetology.



Ms. Doris Robinson conducting one of the many courses available at the Robinson Beauty Schools.



## statement of objectives

*by Robinson Beauty Schools, Inc.*

We have seen a pronounced trend lately away from college training and toward vocational training. It has been profoundly demonstrated that one can lead a rich and satisfying life by specializing in a craft or trade. One can express himself or herself fully and even acquire his own business in a relatively short time.

For the student inclined toward Cosmetology, Robinson's has seen, in their long experience, that graduate cosmetologists love their work, obtain prominence in it and financial rewards that mean a lot to them and their families.

Over the past years, it has been the goal of Robinson's School to maintain a high standard of teaching, using the latest equipment available in attractive surroundings and explained by a qualified staff of instructors who continually keep themselves abreast of new trends and methods through attendance at seminars, special classes and memberships in such organizations as the Hairdressers Association.

Cosmetology is creative work, allowing individual development and expression. It requires enough movement to be physically healthful and it leads to many rewarding personal relationships between patrons and operators.

The beauty business has proved virtually depression-proof and now men are using more cosmetology services, making it even more lucrative and secure.

One of the great tragedies today is that too many people cannot find something constructive to do. This hurts them and their society as well. For the above reasons, Robinson's main objective is to help more people unlock their talents, develop their abilities in cosmetology and use them to become all that they can become for the benefit of themselves, their families and their world.

## school attendance policies

Robinson Beauty Schools operate continuously throughout the year except for the following holidays:

New Years Day	Memorial Day	Thanksgiving
Independence Day	Labor Day	Christmas

Students are expected to attend on Saturday as that is the day when the most clinic practice is available and when students get the best experience in working quickly and efficiently.

## grading system

Robinson Beauty Schools maintain the following grading system:

10 Excellent	7 Below Average
9 Above Average	6 Fail
8 Average	

## hours

Robinson Schools are open for instruction from 8:30 A.M. to 5 P.M. Tuesday through Saturday.

Professional conduct and regular attendance is expected. Failure to comply will result in dismissal at the discretion of the school. Re-entry and makeup work will also be at the discretion of the school.

Robinson's maintains daily progress reports and each student receives a report at 600 hours. Students who fail to maintain an average of 7 or above, will be reviewed for dismissal. Any re-entrance will be at the discretion of the school.

## class schedule

Robinson's regular Cosmetology Course is divided into four phases of 300 hours each. Student receives a record book containing the schedule of the courses.

## enrollment time

Students may start their courses the first Tuesday of any month. Classes start monthly. Inquire for exact dates.

## job opportunities

### (Placement after Graduation)

Robinson students who complete their training and are willing to work cooperatively have never had trouble getting jobs in recent years. There are always several "Cosmetologist Wanted" ads in the newspapers. Robinson's is always ready to help students get jobs or transfer to other jobs when the need arises. Students

should remember, however, that their record in classes, their marks and attendance usually dictates what kind of a job they get and how much they will earn. Students who work hard in school usually get the best jobs.

## basic requirements

Robinson Beauty Schools, Inc., in its admission, instruction and graduation policies, practices no discrimination on the basis of race, creed, religion, financial status or country of origin or residence.

We will admit as regular students only those having a high school education or its equivalent.



## credit for previous education

Appropriate credit for previous education and training will be granted. The student will be advanced where such credit places him and the course will be shortened accordingly.

SUMMER CLASSES available for students still in high school. Inquire for details.

## length of course

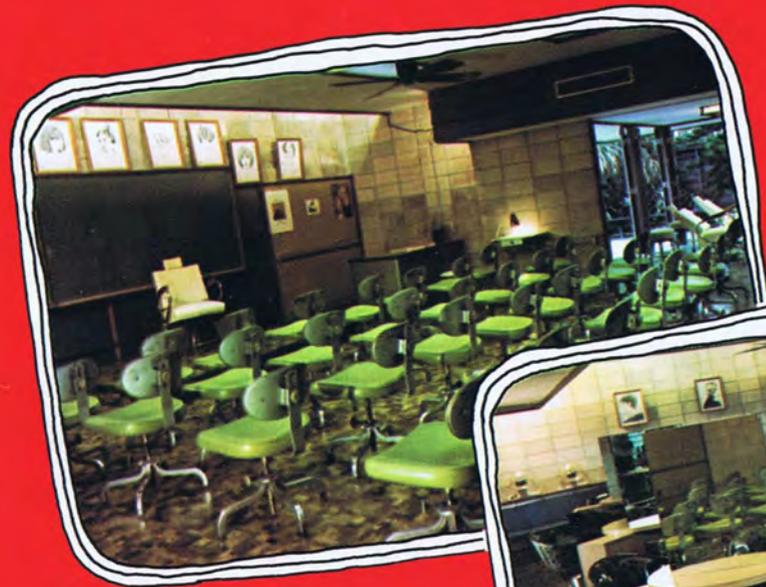
By going to school approximately 40 hours per week, the regular Florida course takes eight months.

After this students must pass the Robinson School test and may then register for the examination given by the State Board of Cosmetology. They must pass this examination to become a licensed Cosmetologist and enter practice.

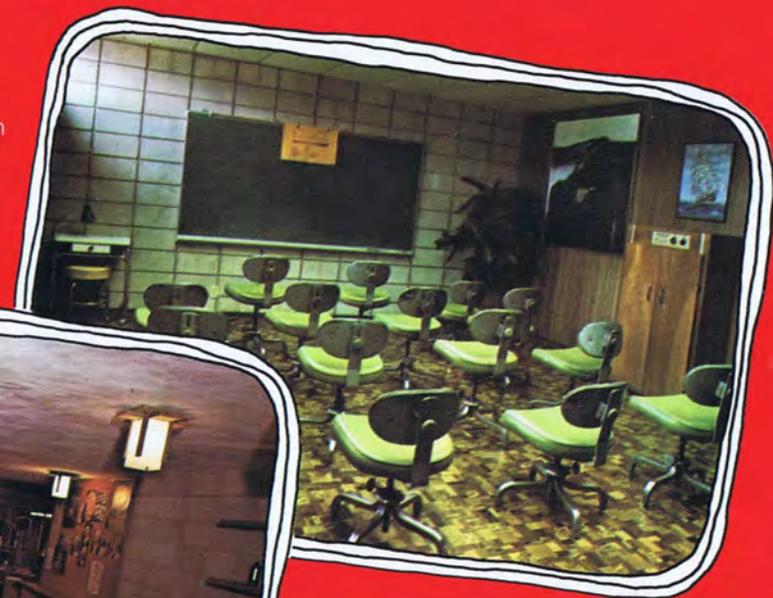
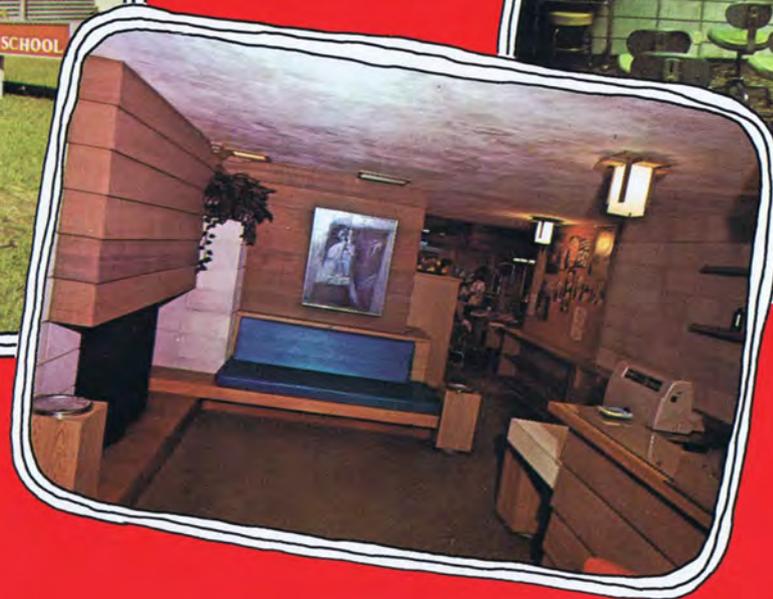
## curriculum

Shampoo & Rinses	Hair Relaxing	Wiggery
Scalp Treatments	Hair Coloring	Business Management
Hair Shaping	Hair Bleaching	Sales and Marketing
Air Styling	Light Therapy	Personality
Iron Curling	Manicuring &	Development
Iron Pressing	Pedicuring	Theory of
Permanent Waving	Facials and Make-up	Cosmetology

Robinson's  
Florida  
School



This school was designed by Robinson's expressly to teach cosmetology in the finest surroundings. It's unique architecture impresses visitors from all over the nation.



## cosmetology course outline

	Approximate Hours
Theory of Cosmetology .....	160
Florida Law .....	20
Hairstyling .....	220
Ethics of Shop Management, Salesmanship .....	20
Electricity & Light Treatments .....	16
Haircutting .....	230
Permanent Waving and Shampoos .....	200
Hair Tinting, Bleaching .....	150
Treatment of Hair and Scalp .....	40
Facials and Makeup .....	60
Manicuring & Massage (Hand & Arm) .....	40
Miscellaneous .....	44
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1200</b>

## course costs

See enclosed dated supplement.

## housing

Robinson Beauty Schools will assist students in finding suitable housing near the school.

## your robinson beauty kit

Upon enrollment each student buys a personalized Beauty Kit which is retained by the student.

### CONTENTS OF KIT:

1 Carrying Case • 1 Air Blower • 1 Curling Iron • 1 Pair Hair-cutting Shears • 1 Thinning Shears • 1 Haircutting Razor • 2 Shampoo Capes • 12 Combs • 1 Box Emery Boards • 1 Metal File • 1 Orangewood Stick • 12 Dozen Rollers • 100 Clippies • 1 Round Brush • 1 Nippers • 1 Steel Pusher • 4 Brushes.

## graduation

Upon completion of the required hours of instruction and clinic practice, the student must pass the Robinson School examination, and will be awarded a diploma. The student may then register with the State Board of Hairdressers and apply for their examination. This examination consists of a one-day test on both practical and theory subjects.

## advanced courses

Robinson's offers courses in: • "Brush-up Cosmetology" and Inquire for details. • Teachers Training.

## what the student must bring

The cost of the Robinson Beauty Course covers practically everything a student will need to complete the Course, but the student will have to furnish his or her own uniform and shoes and notebook.

If additional supplies are needed or replacements are necessary for the Beauty Kit, these can be purchased at wholesale rates through the Robinson Beauty Schools.

## refund policy

- If a student (or in case of a student under legal age, his parent or guardian) cancels his enrollment and demands his money back, in writing or in person, within three business days of the signing of an enrollment agreement or contract, and prior to entering classes, all monies collected by the school shall be refunded.
- If a student cancels his enrollment after the three business days after the signing but prior to entering classes, he shall be entitled to a refund of all monies paid to the school less a registration or enrollment fee of \$50.00.
- For students who enroll in and begin classes, the following schedule of tuition adjustment is authorized.

Percentage of Enrollment Time to Total Time of Course		Amount of Total Tuition School Shall Receive or Retain
0.1% to 4.9%	1 to 59 hrs.	20% Retained or Received
5% to 9.9%	60 to 119 hrs.	30% Retained or Received
10% to 14.9%	120 to 179 hrs.	40% Retained or Received
15% to 24.9%	180 to 299 hrs.	45% Retained or Received
25% to 49.9%	300 to 599 hrs.	70% Retained or Received
Over 50%	600 hrs. or more	100% Retained or Received

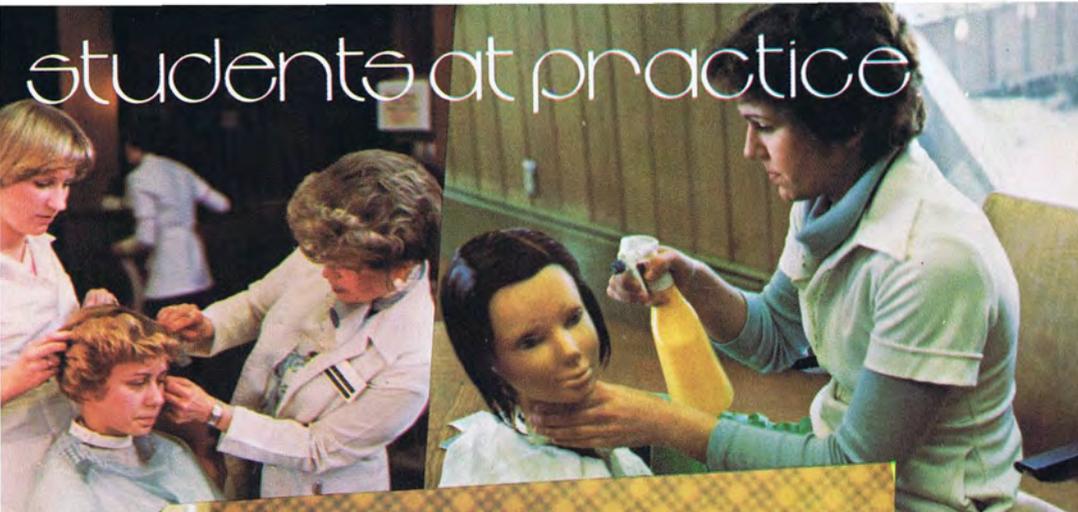
Enrollment time is defined as the time elapsed between the actual starting date and the date on which the student formally terminates enrollment. Termination shall occur upon student's last day of physical attendance in the school.

The cost of Equipment, Books and Registration Fee is not considered in the tuition adjustment computations.

\*Veterans  
(See enclosed  
VA Refund  
Policy)



# students at practice



The latest in haircutting and air styling as well as the basics in hairstyling are stressed in Robinsons training.

## application for enrollment

I, the undersigned, hereby make Application for Enrollment as a Student in the course of Cosmetology at ROBINSON BEAUTY SCHOOLS, Inc.

Enclosed please find \$50 registration fee. I plan to start on \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (A.C.) \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_

High School Attending or Graduated From \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

I Will or Graduated in Year \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

References: 1. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Date Of Application \_\_\_\_\_

Name Of Parent Or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

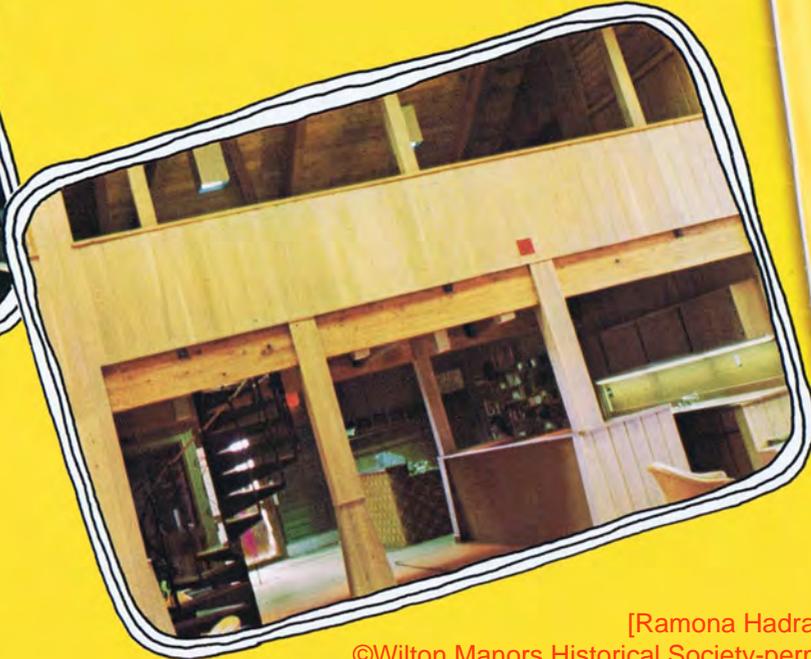
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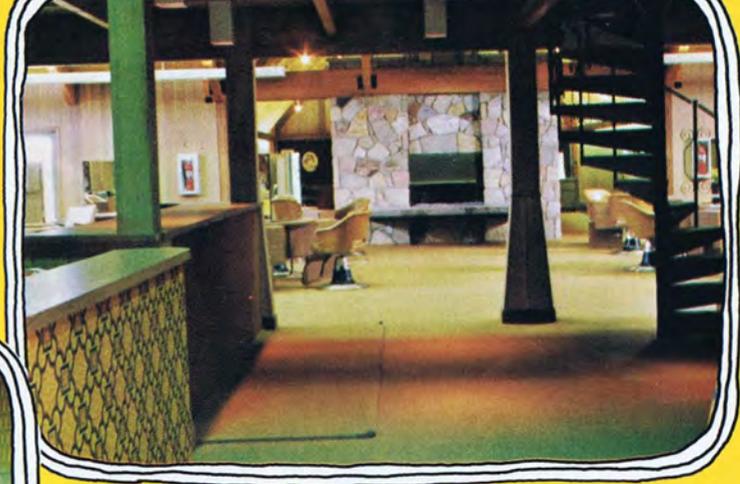
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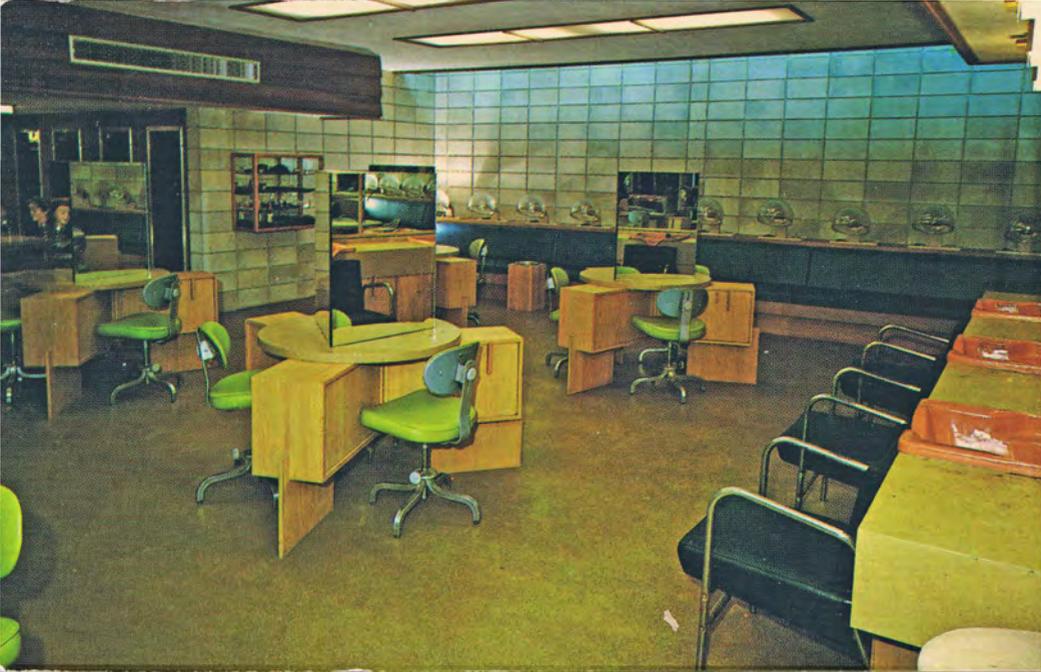
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Robinson's  
Minnesota  
School



Built in 1973, this school  
was designed by  
Robinson's expressly to  
teach cosmetology.





  
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*Presents*

**8 Hours Continuing Education for Cosmetologists**

*Featuring*

## JESSE & FLO BRIGGS CUTTING CLUB OF FLORIDA

Once again Robinson Beauty School has brought together a group of skilled professionals to produce a spectacular educational program.

The featured artists, Jesse and Flo Briggs are recognized as International leaders in the beauty industry. Their work has been featured in leading beauty and fashion magazines, such as *Vogue*, *American Hairdresser/Salon Owner*, *Set and Style*, *Modern Salon and Hairdo* and *Hairstyling*. They are members of Intercoiffure and owners of the Jesse & Flo Cutting Club of Florida and the Yellow Strawberry Salon on Las Olas Blvd. in Ft. Lauderdale. They have demonstrated their superior cutting ability to thousands of hairdressers throughout the world, and are now recognized as one of the most sensational teaching teams in the beauty industry today. Through their ability to show you how to handle customers, improve salon profits and motivation, Jesse & Flo will convey to you more knowledge and information than any other accredited course now offered. Along with Jesse & Flo will be the list of artist & educators listed below who will bring you up to date on cuts, chemistry and color.



**VIVIA**  
Artistic Director for  
Yellow Strawberry



**RAMONA HADTRATH**  
Chemistry Lecturer



**FRAN BARLETTI**  
Special Effects  
Color Consultant



**MARIA O'BRIEN**  
Platform Artist for  
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### ALL LIVE MODELS FOR INSTRUCTION

- ★ TV Monitored for Better Viewing — Smoking & Non-Smoking Area Provided
- ★ Two Dates Offered, **MAY 13, 1984 & JUNE 24, 1984** — 8:30-5:00 PM
- ★ **FEE: \$30.00 Advanced Payment — \$35.00 at the door**

**SEATING IS LIMITED, SO RESERVE IN ADVANCE BY SENDING YOUR CHECK FOR \$30.00 PER PERSON, PAYABLE TO ROBINSON BEAUTY SCHOOL.**

- ★ Coffee & Donuts provided. Several Restaurants in the area are available for those who desire lunch.

### Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone at Salon \_\_\_\_\_

License Number \_\_\_\_\_

**Sunday May 13, 1984 — 8:30-5:30**

**Sunday June 24, 1984 — 8:30-5:30**

You must bring your Fla. Cosmetologists license number with you.  
ROBINSON BEAUTY SCHOOL PROVIDER NUMBER IS ZP0600119  
LIST ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES ON A SEPARATE SHEET.



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## ROBINSON'S BEAUTY SCHOOL

WILTON MANORS, FLORIDA

1965

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB EXECUTIVE OFFICE

1992

SHUSTER DESIGN CENTER

2007

My client, Doris Robinson, had a beauty school in Minneapolis and loved vacationing in Ft. Lauderdale. Her decision to build another school would provide her the best of both worlds.

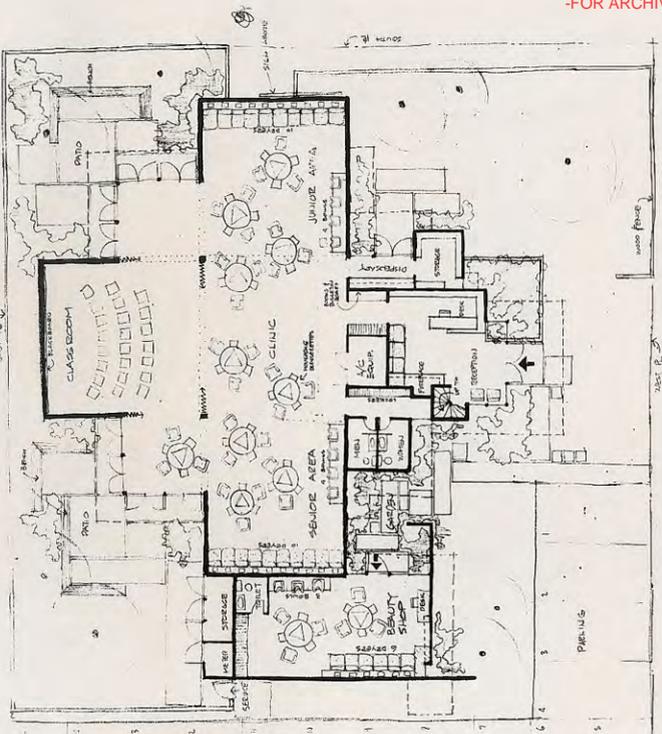
As a school for teaching hair styling, the simple open plan provided flexible space for a classroom and clinic area for multiple student styling stations. Central to this open space was a raised roof with a clerestory of glass bringing daylight into the space. Twenty hair dryers were built-in at far ends of the clinic space and eight hair washing sinks were available. Two fenced terraces were just outside for break time, and there was a separate professional beauty shop included. On the second floor, overlooking the classroom/clinic space below was the owner's private office and apartment.

The architectural design was a balanced composition of vertical concrete block masses and horizontal floating wood planes.

When the owner died, the school closed, and the building fell onto hard times. In the 1980's two awkward additions were made, and later it fell into totally derelict condition.

In 1993 the building was purchased by Wayne Huizenga to be the executive office for the Boys and Girls Club. We had the opportunity to redesign the interiors and restore the exterior, which included reconciling the two awkward additions into the overall design. The Boys and Girls Club occupied it for about twelve years and when they left it went up for auction. All of the bidders wanted it for the land and location only.

Fortunately, there was one bidder who greatly valued it for the architecture. Louis Shuster, a very successful high end interior designer, had admired the building for many years and had dreamed of owning it for his design studio. He was the successful high bidder, and began an extensive process of restoration. He was extremely sensitive to the original design intent and did a magnificent job. The existing spaces were a perfect fit for his needs and he furnished it beautifully. I would have to say that in the almost 50 year history of the building, it has never looked better.

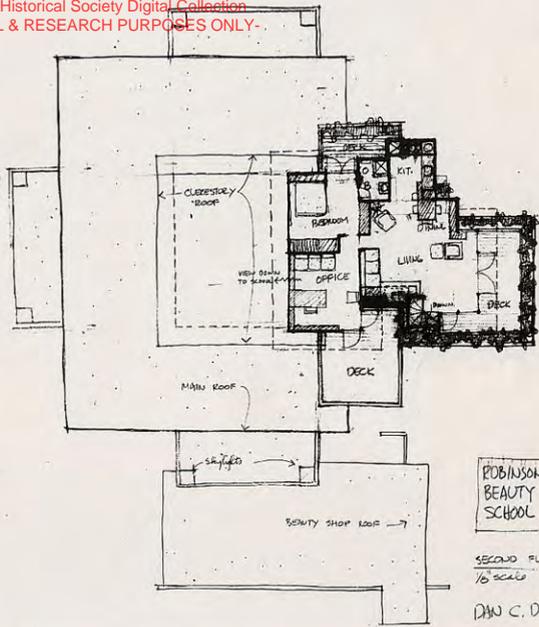


SQUARE FOOTAGE	
SCHOOL	5027 sq. ft.
1st Floor (approx)	1411 sq. ft.
2nd Floor (approx)	3611 sq. ft.
LIVING QUARTERS	560
BEAUTY SHOP	500
TOTAL	4151 sq. ft.

ROBINSON'S  
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FIRST FLOOR PLAN  
 1/8" SCALE

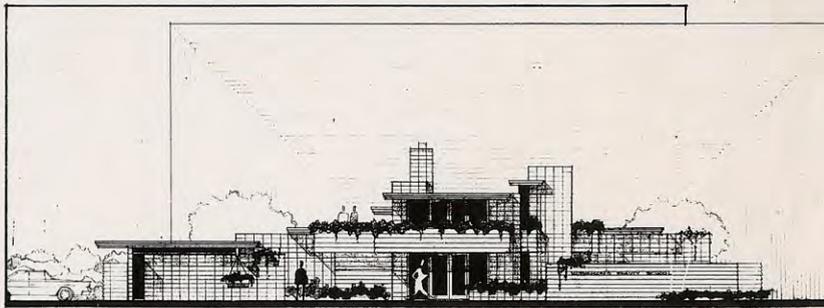
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SECOND FLOOR PLAN  
 1/8" SCALE

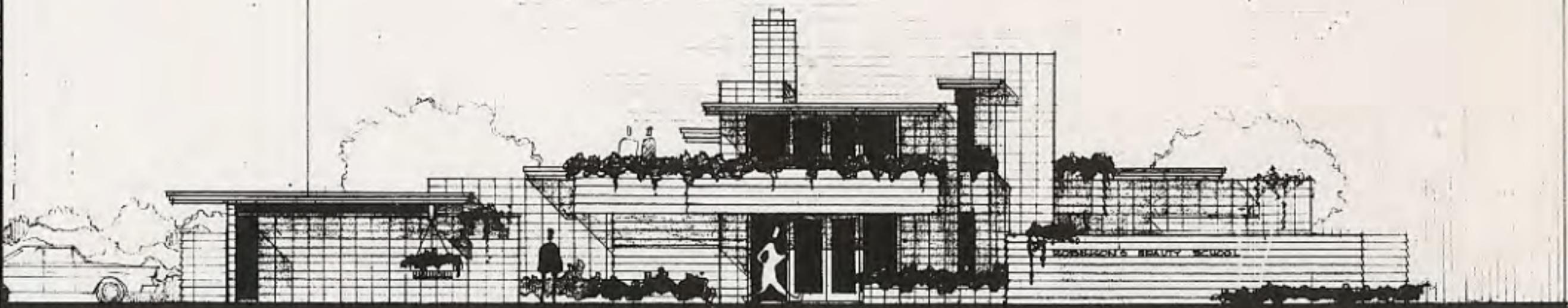
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1/8" SCALE

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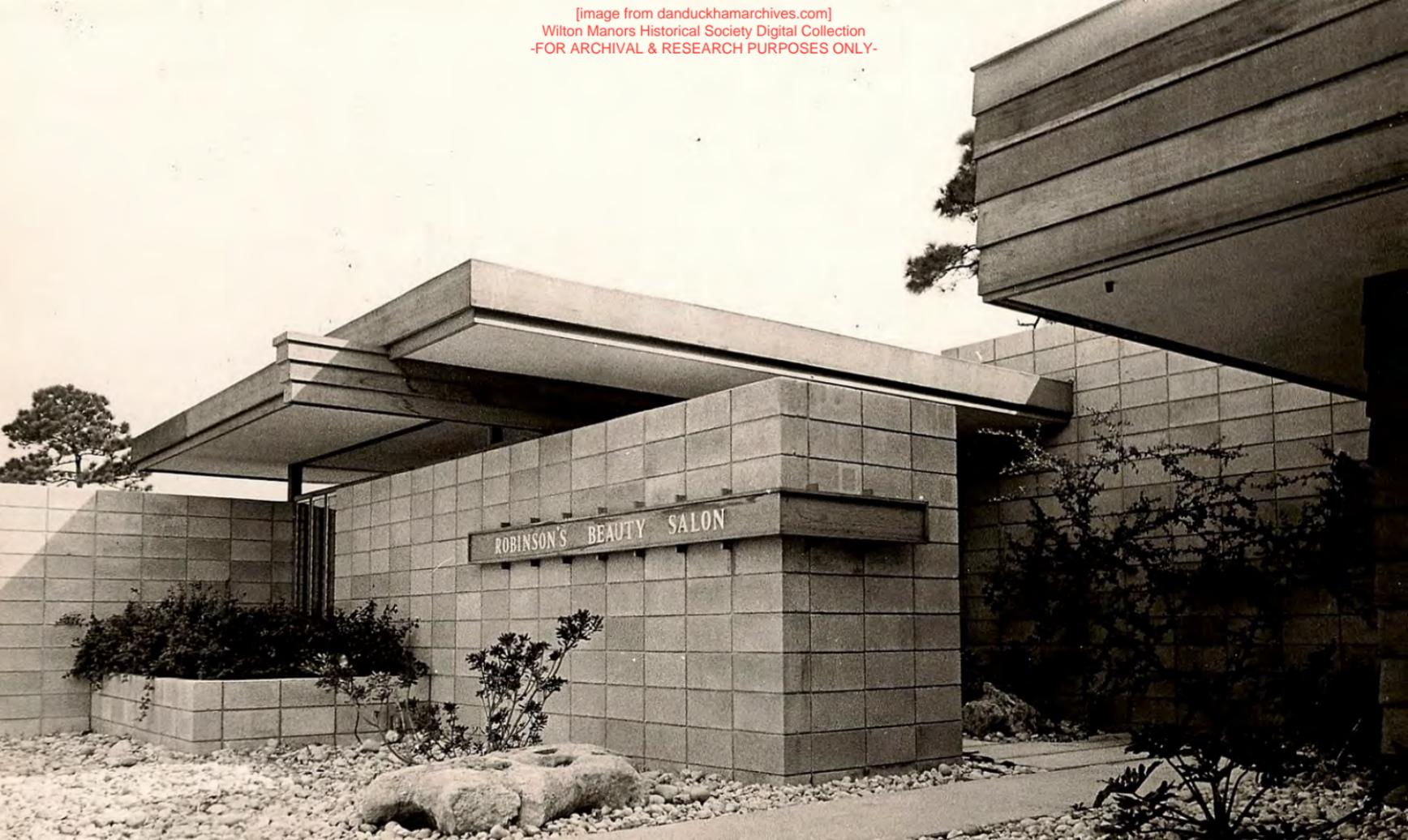


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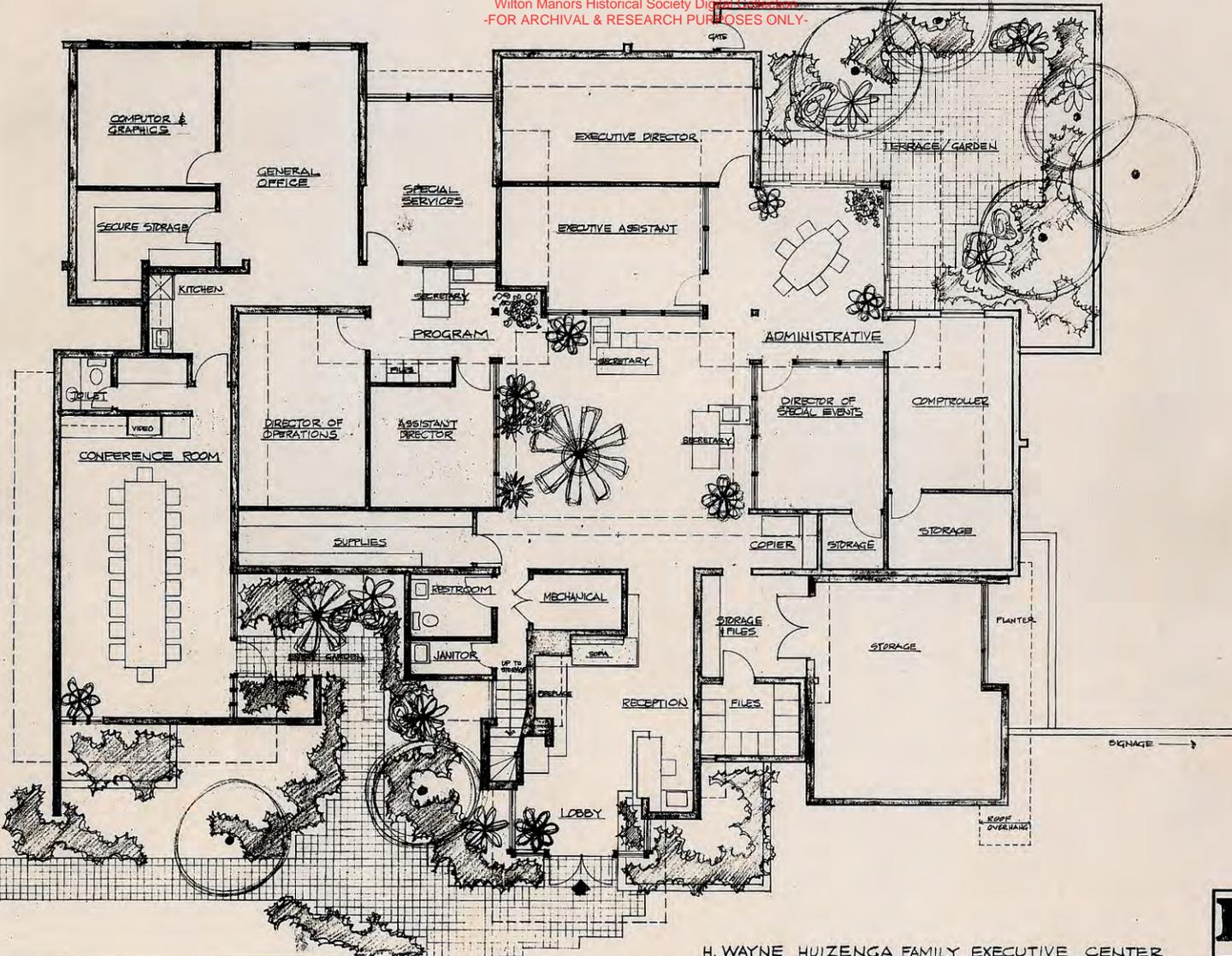






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# Moving in The Wright Direction

IN THIS ISSUE, we cover the increasingly important issue of renovation. With property taxes high and our inability (*yet*) to have our homestead exemptions made “portable” many have chosen to stay put and renovate the place they currently call home. But renovation also makes sense, as our section points out, for condominium conversions and commercial properties as well.

A marvelous case in point is Robinson’s Beauty School, built in 1964 along NE 26th Street and more recently used as the local headquarters of the Boys and Girls Clubs of America. When the Dan Duckham-designed structure came up for purchase last year, interior designer Louis Shuster snapped it up, mesmerized by its beauty as well as its potential to become a living, breathing design studio.

As a young architect, Duckham was fascinated with all the work of Frank Lloyd Wright, from his early Prairie School buildings to his later Usonian homes. This particular structure, from its plan to its severe rectilinear geometry, most closely has a connection to Wright’s early work, in particular his 1904 home design for Laura Gale in Oak Park, Illinois.

Duckham’s design, like Wright’s, made use of deep, overhanging eaves, low horizontal planters and a long, protruding chimney that visually centers the pinwheel plan when viewed from the street. But Duckham’s design, due to its original program as a school, explodes organically, allowing (in 1964) for teaching stations, offices and even an apartment above.

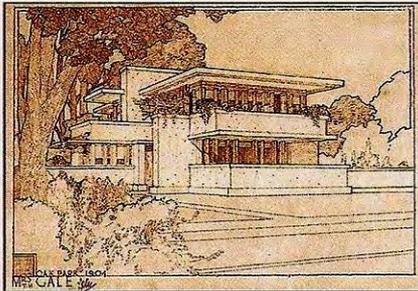
Shuster realized the value this structure had and through a painstaking process—part renovation, part restoration—brought it back to life. Today the building is once again full of energy (see article, page 42) from its low-slung lobby with a fireplace that bursts into a high-ceilinged atrium space to its floating roof plane and surrounding clerestory windows.

Shuster is to be commended for his ability to see incredible potential where those less enlightened would have just seen a tower. As we enter into the New Year, let us hope 2007 brings us more success stories such as this one.

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**ABOVE:** The newly restored home of Shuster Design Associates, looking southeast.  
**RIGHT:** Wright’s 1904 perspective drawing for the Gale House in Oak Park, Illinois, looking southeast.







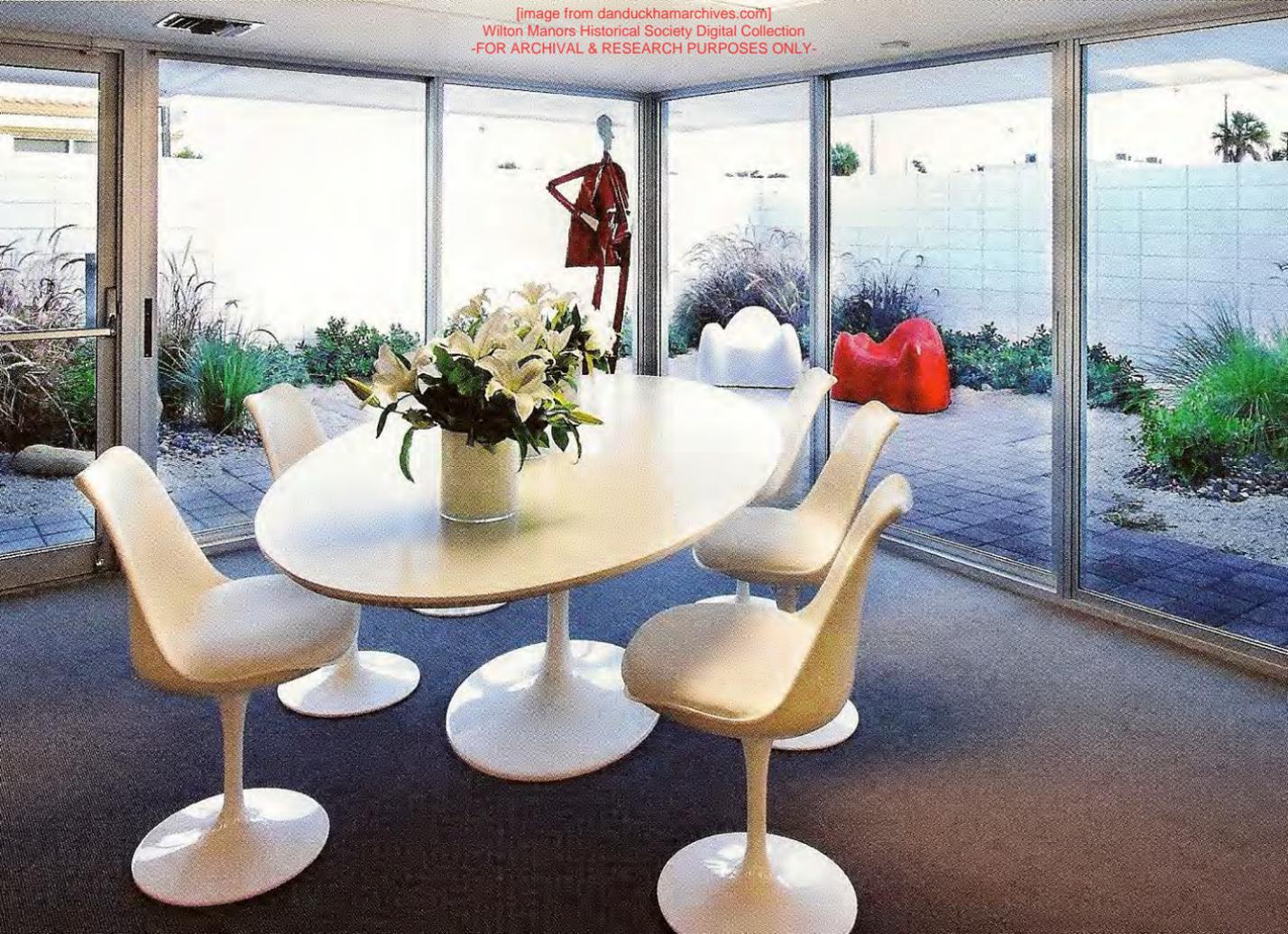
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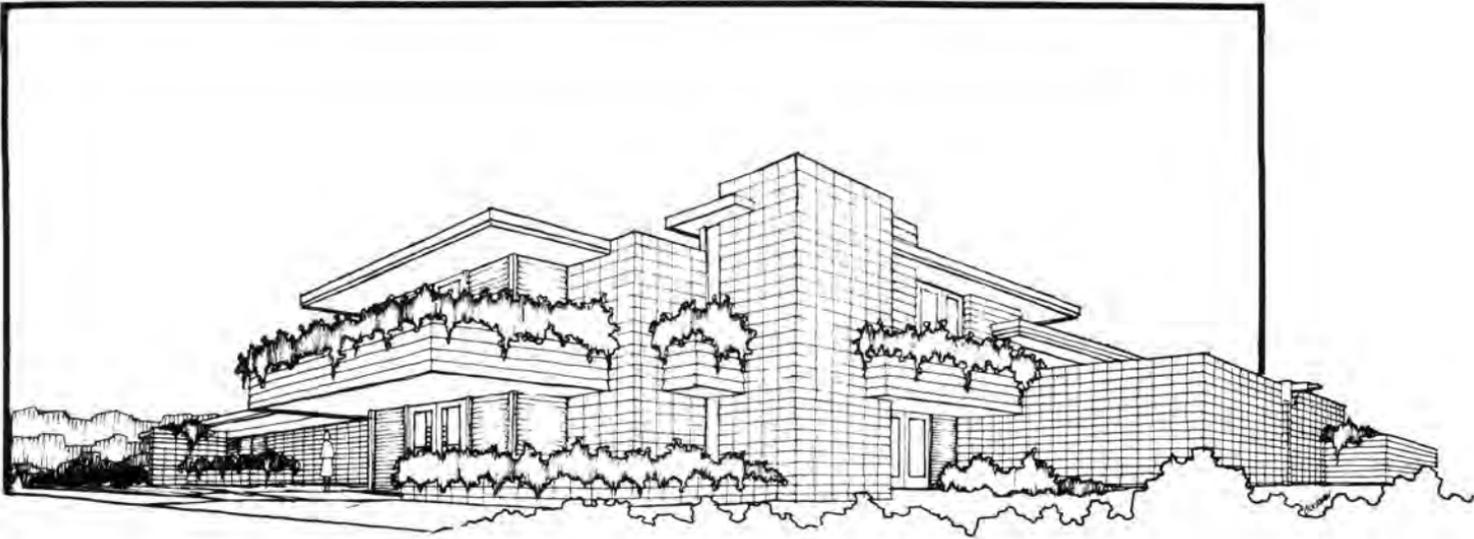








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