



Bolton Hall Museum
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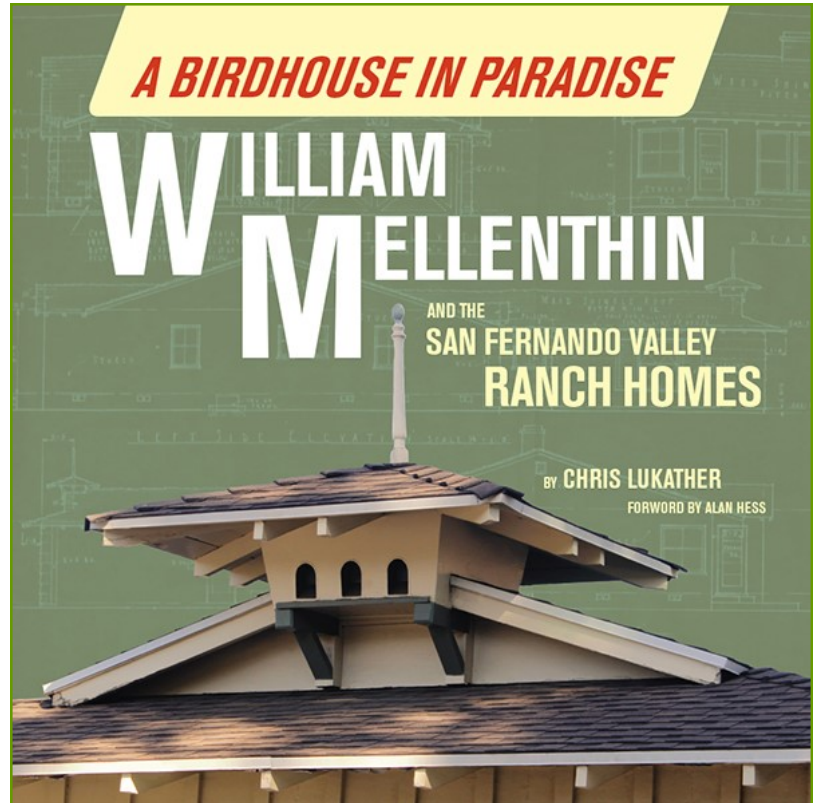
**William Mellenthin
and the San Fernando Valley
"Birdhouse" Ranch Homes**

In the 1950s housing developments began peppering the land outside of Los Angeles. Affordable, family-friendly communities like the San Fernando Valley initiated an exodus to the suburbs. It was there designer-builder William Mellenthin developed his singular brand of cozy, charming home. They became known as the Mellenthin Birdhouse ranch home—so called because they featured a cupola or dovecote built prominently into the roof.

This presentation reveals many facts and details about this industrious and influential man — with rare photographs and documents that illustrate a young, burgeoning San Fernando Valley as it became “the new suburban paradise.”

Our speaker for this program is **Chris Lukather** — a Cal Arts graduate, who follows his passion for art and design, California subculture and obscure Los Angeles history. A fifth generation Californian, Chris has discovered a lot of local history through his own family. Chris is currently editor and publisher of *The Writing Disorder*, a quarterly literary journal established in 2010. He is also a graphic designer.

Chris’ book *A Birdhouse in Paradise* is available for purchase in our gift shop.



Saturday, January 12, 2019

1:00 PM

Bolton Hall Museum

10110 Commerce Avenue in Tujunga
Parking available uphill at the Elks Lodge

Everyone is Welcome

Free Admission

Suggested Donation—\$3 per person

Light refreshments after the program

Our Mission: To preserve and maintain Bolton Hall Museum and the historical record of Rancho Tujunga.

Little Landers Historical Society (LLHS) is a non-profit, all volunteer organization established in 1959 to save Bolton Hall from destruction. Bolton Hall is Los Angeles City Historic Cultural Monument #2. Contact us at (818) 352-3420 or LLHS@BoltonHall.org.

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